

(i) Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as further amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments, and the Federal Facility Compliance Act (42 U.S.C. 6901, *et seq.*);

(ii) Federal Water Pollution Prevention and Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251, *et seq.*);

(iii) Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300f, *et seq.*);

(iv) Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7401, *et seq.*);

(v) Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4901, *et seq.*);

(vi) Toxic Substances Control Act, as amended (15 U.S.C. 2601, *et seq.*);

(vii) Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 136, *et seq.*); and

(viii) Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 9601, *et seq.*).

(13) Administer the Distance Learning and Medical Link Programs (7 U.S.C. 950aaa, *et seq.*).

(14) Administer water and waste facility programs and activities (7 U.S.C. 1926–1).

(b) *Reservations.* The following authority is reserved to the Under Secretary for Rural Economic and Community Development:

(1) Making and issuing notes to the Secretary of the Treasury for the purposes of the Rural Development Insurance Fund as authorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1929a).

(2) Administering loans for rural telephone facilities and service in rural areas as authorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921, *et seq.*).

#### **§ 2.48 Administrator, Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service.**

(a) *Delegations.* Pursuant to §§ 2.17 (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(14), (a)(16) through (a)(19) and (a)(21), subject to reservations in § 2.17(b)(1), and subject to policy guidance and direction by the Under Secretary for Rural Economic and Community Development, the following delegations of authority are made by the Under Secretary for Rural Economic and Community Development to the Administrator, Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service:

(1) Administer the rural economic development loan and grant programs under the Rural Electrification Act (7 U.S.C. 940c and 950aa, *et seq.*).

(2) Administer the following sections of the Consolidated Farm and Rural

Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921, *et seq.*):

(i) Section 306(a)(11)(A) (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)(11)(A)), related grants for business technical assistance and planning;

(ii) Section 304(b) (7 U.S.C. 1924(b)), relating to small business enterprises;

(iii) Sections 309 (7 U.S.C. 1929) and 309A (7 U.S.C. 1929a), relating to assets and programs related to rural development;

(iv) Section 310B (7 U.S.C. 1932), relating to rural industrialization assistance, rural business enterprise grants and rural technology and cooperative development grants;

(v) Section 312(b) (7 U.S.C. 1942(b)), relating to small business enterprises; and

(vi) Administrative Provisions of subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act relating to Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service activities;

(3) Administer Alcohol Fuels Credit Guarantee Program Account (Pub L. No. 102–341, 106 Stat. 895).

(4) Administer section 1323 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1932 note).

(5) Administer loan programs in the Appalachian region under sections 203 and 204 of the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965 (40 U.S.C. App. 204).

(6) Administer section 601 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (Pub. L. No. 95–620).

(7) Administer the Drought and Disaster Guaranteed Loan program under section 331 of the Disaster Assistance Act of 1988 (7 U.S.C. 1929a note).

(8) Administer the Disaster Assistance for Rural Business Enterprises Guaranteed Loan Program under section 401 of the Disaster Assistance Act of 1989 (7 U.S.C. 1929a note).

(9) Administer the Rural Economic Development Demonstration Grant Program (7 U.S.C. 2662a).

(10) Administer the Economically Disadvantaged Rural Community Loan program (7 U.S.C. 6616).

(11) Administer the Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Act of 1990, (7 U.S.C. 5901, *et seq.*).

(12) Administer programs authorized by the Cooperative Marketing Act of 1926 (7 U.S.C. 451–457).

(13) Carry out the responsibilities of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to the marketing aspects of cooperatives, including economic research and analysis, the application of economic research findings, technical assistance to existing and developing cooperatives,

education on cooperatives, and statistical information pertaining to cooperatives as authorized by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627).

(14) Work with institutions and international organizations throughout the world on subjects related to the development and operation of agricultural cooperatives. Such work may be carried out by:

(i) Exchanging materials and results with such institutions or organizations;

(ii) Engaging in joint or coordinated activities; or

(iii) Stationing representatives at such institutions or organizations in foreign countries (7 U.S.C. 3291).

(15) Collect, service, and liquidate loans made, insured, or guaranteed by the Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service or its predecessor agencies.

(16) Administer the Federal Claims Collection Act of 1966 (31 U.S.C. 3711, *et seq.*), and joint regulations issued pursuant thereto by the Attorney General and the Comptroller General (4 CFR chapter II), with respect to the claims of the Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service.

(17) Administer responsibilities and functions assigned under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2061, *et seq.*), and title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5195, *et seq.*), relating to rural development credit and financial assistance.

(18) With respect to land and facilities under his or her authority, exercise the functions delegated to the Secretary by Executive Order 12580, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 193, under the following provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (“the Act”), as amended:

(i) Sections 104(a), (b), and (c)(4) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 9604(a), (b), and (c)(4)), with respect to removal and remedial actions in the event of release or threatened release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant into the environment;

(ii) Sections 104(e)–(h) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 9604(e)–(h)), with respect to information gathering and access requests and orders; compliance with Federal health and safety standards and wage and labor standards applicable to covered work; and emergency procurement powers;

(iii) Section 104(i)(11) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 9604(i)(11)), with respect to the reduction of exposure to significant risk to human health;

(iv) Section 104(j) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 9604(j)), with respect to the