

**Title 2—DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE
Division 10—Ag Business Development
Chapter 1—Organization
and Description**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

2 CSR 10-1.010 General Organization The department is deleting sections (1) and (2) and adding new sections (1) and (2).

PURPOSE: The rule amendment reflects the move of the education loans and Young Farmers Capital Improvement loans to MASBDA, and updating language based on strategic planning results.

*PURPOSE: The purpose of this rule is to comply with section 536.023, RSMo 1986 which requires each agency to adopt as a rule a description of its operation and the methods **in which** [where] the public may obtain information or make submissions or requests.*

[(1) The Division of Market Development is a unit of the Department of Agriculture, state of Missouri.

(A) The primary responsibilities of this division are to provide marketing services to producers, distributors and consumers of agricultural commodities and to administer the funds of the Rural Rehabilitation Corporation.

(B) In order to provide these services, the activities consist of commodity market news, domestic and export market promotion and development, educational loans, 4-H and FFA crop and livestock program, young farmers capital improvement loans in cooperation with FMHA and Building Our American Communities program.

(2) This division is located at 1616 Missouri Blvd., Jefferson City, MO 65101, (314) 751- 2613.]

(1) The Ag Business Development Division is a unit of the Department of Agriculture, state of Missouri.

(A) The primary responsibilities of this division are to provide leadership for the promotion and advancement of Missouri's agricultural economy in support of producers, consumers, and agri-business innovation, technology adoption, and economic development.

(B) To accomplish this the division pursues advocacy for producers and consumers through domestic and international market development and business development activities.

(2) This division is located at 1616 Missouri Blvd., Jefferson City, MO 65101, (573) 751-2613.

AUTHORITY: section 536.023, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed April 9, 1976, effective July 15, 1976.*

**Original authority: 536.023, RSMo 1975, amended 1976, 1997.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Department of Agriculture, Ag Business Development Division, PO Box 630, Jefferson City, MO 65102, or online at Agriculture.Mo.Gov/proposed-rules/. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.