COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2963/78

of 15 December 1978

on an invitation to tender for the refund for the export of common wheat to Zones I, II, III, V and VI

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1254/78 (2),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2746/75 of 29 October 1975 laying down general rules for granting export refunds on cereals and criteria for fixing the amount of such refunds (3), and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas there is an exportable surplus of common wheat on the Community market; whereas, so that it can be exported under the most favourable conditions, an invitation to tender for the export refund should be opened; whereas, for the sake of better control over the refund amount to be granted and the quantities to be exported, the invitation to tender should be restricted to exports to Zones I, II, III, V and VI as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1124/77 (4),

Whereas detailed rules for the application of the system of tendering for fixing export refunds have been adopted in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 (5), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2944/78 (6); whereas among the obligations of tenderers is that of lodging an application for an export licence; whereas compliance with this obligation may be ensured by requiring tenderers to lodge a tendering security of 10 units of account per tonne when they submit their tenders;

Whereas, in order to ensure equal treatment to all concerned, it is necessary to specify that all licences issued be valid for equal lengths of time;

Whereas for the proper running of an invitation to tender for export refunds a minimum representative quantity must be specified and the time limit and form of communication of the tenders submitted to the competent authorities;

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 156, 14. 6. 1978, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 78.
(4) OJ No L 134, 28. 5. 1977, p. 53.
(5) OJ No L 31, 5. 2. 1975, p. 8.
(6) OJ No L 351, 15. 12. 1978, p. 16.

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Cereals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Tenders shall be invited for the export refund provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 2746/75.

2. The invitation to tender shall relate to common wheat for export to Zones I, II, III, V and VI as defined in Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1124/77.

3. The invitation shall remain open until 17 May 1979. During this period weekly awards shall be made, the time limits for the submission of tenders to be as prescribed in the notice of invitation to tender.

Article 2

A tender shall be valid only if it relates to an amount of not less than 1 000 tonnes.

Article 3

The tendering security referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 shall be 10 units of account per tonne.

Article 4

1. By way of derogation from the provisions of Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 193/75 (7), export licences issued under Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 shall, for the purpose of determining their period of validity, be deemed to have been issued on the day on which the tender was submitted.

2. Export licences issued in connection with this invitation to tender shall be valid from their date of issue, as defined in the previous paragraph, until the end of the fourth month following that of issue.

(7) OJ No L 25, 31. 1. 1975, p. 10.

Article 5

The tenders submitted must reach the Commission through the intermediary of Member States at the latest one and a half hours after expiry of the period for the weekly submission of tenders as specified in the notice of invitation to tender. They must be communicated in the form indicated in the Annex. If no tenders are received, Member States shall inform the Commission of this within the time limit indicated in the preceding paragraph.

Article 6

The time limits fixed for the submission of tenders shall be :

— brought forward by one hour in Ireland and the United Kingdom during the period in which summer time does not apply in those Member States,

— extended by one hour in the other Member States when the latter are applying summer time.

Article 7

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 December 1978.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Vice-President

ANNEX

Weekly tender for the refund for the export of common wheat to Zones I, II, III, V and VI

Time limit for the submission of tenders (date/time)

1	2	3
Number of tender	Quantity in tonnes	Amount of export refund in national currency per tonne
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
etc.		