COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1373/87

of 19 May 1987

opening an invitation to tender for the refund for the export of bread-making wheat to countries of zones I, II a), III, IV, V, VI, VII, the German Democratic Republic and the Canary Islands

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 1579/86 (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, in view of the current situation on the cereals market, an invitation should be opened in respect of bread-making wheat to tender for the export refund provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 2746/75 ; whereas, in order to ensure supply, the invitation to tender for export should be limited to zones I, II a), III, IV, V, VI, VII, the German Democratic Republic and the Canary Islands ;

Whereas the purpose of the measure is such that refunds should be granted only on wheat of the quality required ; whereas the competent agency must make certain that wheat exported is of this standard ;

Whereas the detailed procedural rules governing invitations to tender are, as regards the fixing of the export refund, in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 (4), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2944/78 (5) ; whereas the commitments on the part of the tenderer include an obligation to lodge an application for an export licence ; whereas compliance with this obligation may be ensured by requiring tenderers to lodge a tendering security of 12 ECU per tonne when they submit their tenders ;

Whereas, in order to ensure that all those concerned are treated equally, it is necessary to lay down that the period of validity of the licences issued should be identical ; whereas, however, a special period of validity should be laid down for exports to the People's Republic of China ;

Whereas, since the interested parties are already aware of the terms of the invitation, a derogation may be made from the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 on the period that must elapse between the date of publication and the first closing date for the submission of tenders ;

Whereas, in order to ensure the smooth operation of the tendering procedure, it is appropriate to prescribe a minimum quantity to be tendered for and a time limit and form for the communication of tenders submitted to the competent authorities ;

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 bread-making wheat for export to the countries of zones I, II a), III, IV, V, VI, VII, the German Democratic Republic and the Canary Islands as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1124/77 (6).

3. The invitation shall remain open until 30 April 1988. During this period weekly awards shall be made, for which the quantities and the time limits for the submission of tenders shall be as prescribed in the notice of invitation to tender.

Article 2

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

Article 3

The security referred to in Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 279/75 shall be 12 ECU per tonne.

(1) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 139, 24. 5. 1986, p. 29.
(3) OJ No L 281, 1. 11. 1975, p. 78.
(4) OJ No L 31, 5. 2. 1975, p. 8.
(5) OJ No L 351, 15. 12. 1978, p. 16.
(6) OJ No L 134, 28. 5. 1977, p. 53.

Article 4

1. Notwithstanding Article 21 (1) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3183/80 [1], 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 the invitation to tender pursuant to this Regulation shall be valid from their date of issue, as defined in paragraph 1, until the end of the fourth month following that of issue.

However, for exports to the People's Republic of China, licences shall be valid from their date of issue as defined in paragraph 1 until the end of the sixth month following.

3. For the purposes of applying paragraph 2, licences issued in connection with this invitation to tender shall bear, in space 19, a statement of the last day of validity calculated in accordance with the provisions of the first subparagraph of paragraph 2. They shall also bear, in space 18, a statement of the last day of validity calculated in accordance with the provisions of the second subparagraph of paragraph 2; for this purpose, one of the following statements shall be entered in space 18:

— En caso de exportación a la República Popular de China, último día de validez: ....., Reglamento (CEE) nº 1373/87.

— Sidste gyldighedsdag ved udførsel til Den kinesiske Folkerepublik: ....., forordning (EØF) nr. 1373/87.

— Letzter Gültigkeitstag bei Ausfuhr in die Volksrepublik China: ....., Verordnung (EWG) Nr. 1373/87.

— Σε περίπτωση εξαγωγής προς τη Λαϊκή Δημοκρατία της Κίνας, τελευταία ημέρα ισχύος: ....., κανονισμός (ΕΟΚ) αριθ. 1373/87.

— In case of export to the People's Republic of China, last day of validity: ....., Regulation (EEC) No 1373/87.

— En cas d'exportation vers la République populaire de Chine, dernier jour de validité: ....., règlement (CEE) nº 1373/87.

— In caso di esportazione verso la Repubblica popolare di Cina, ultimo giorno di validità: ....., regolamento (CEE) n. 1373/87.

— In geval van uitvoer naar de Volksrepubliek China, laatste geldigheidsdag: ....., Verordening (EEG) nr. 1373/87.

— Em caso de exportação para a República Popular da China, último dia de validade: ....., Regulamento (CEE) nº 1373/87.

Where the licence is used after the date given in space 19, it shall carry the obligation to export to the People's Republic of China.

Article 5

1. Notwithstanding Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 279/75, the Commission shall decide, under the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75:

— to fix a maximum export refund, taking account in particular of the criteria laid down in Articles 2 and 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 2746/75, or

— to make no award.

2. Where a maximum export refund is fixed, a contract shall be awarded to any tenderer whose tender indicates a rate of refund equal to or less than such maximum export refund.

3. A refund awarded shall not be paid unless the bread-making wheat exported is of at least intervention quality as defined in Annex II. The competent agency shall have an analysis made by an approved body or company, of the landed goods.

Sampling and analysis costs shall be met by the tenderer.

4. In the case where the quality does not conform to that defined in paragraph 3, the refund will be reduced by an amount of 10 ECU per tonne.

Article 6

Tenders submitted must reach the Commission through the intermediary 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 I.

If no tenders are received, Member States shall inform the Commission of this within the time limit indicated in the preceding paragraph.

Article 7

The time limits fixed for the submission of tenders shall correspond to Belgian time.

Article 8

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

[1] OJ No L 338, 13. 12. 1980, p. 1.

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

Done at Brussels, 19 May 1987.

For the Commission
Frans ANDRIESSEN
Vice-President

ANNEX I

Weekly tender for the refund for the export of bread-making wheat to countries of zones I, II a), III, IV, V, VI, VII, the German Democratic Republic and the Canary Islands

(Closing date for the submission of tenders (date/time))

1	2	3
Number of tenderer	Quantity in tonnes	Amount of export refund in ECU per tonne
1		
2		
3		
etc.		

ANNEX II

Common wheat is considered as bread-making wheat when :

A. Common wheat shall be deemed to meet the necessary technical and physical requirements if the dough obtained from the wheat does not stick during the mechanical kneading process and if it has the following properties :

— Zeleny index of at least 20,
— Hagberg falling number of at least 220, including the preparation (agitation) time of 60 seconds,
— protein content of at least 10,5 % ;

B. or

— W of at least 130,
— Hagberg falling number of at least 220, including the preparation (agitation) time of 60 seconds,
— protein content of at least 10,5 %.
