BASIC INTERVIEWERS' SCRIPT TO PARTICIPANTS

INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE

You are invited to participate in this survey for the Department of Labor because you are currently working on a farm. The purpose of the study is to learn more about the employment and health of farm workers.

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED

You will be asked to answer some questions about your work history and about your health. The interview will last approximately 60 minutes.

RISKS

Since we will only be asking you questions, there is very little risk to you as a result of being in the study. You may refuse to answer any question at any time, with no penalty.

BENEFITS

There are no direct benefits to you from being in the study. But, knowledge gained through this research may help us learn how to prevent any harmful effects of farm work for workers like you.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Your answers to the interview will be kept private to the extent allowed by law. This means that the interview record will be kept in a locked file, and only researchers on the study will be allowed to see it. Your name will not appear on any reports about the study.

ALTERNATIVES TO PARTICIPATION

Participating in this study is voluntary and you can quit at any time. You can also choose not to participate in any part of the study at any time, with no penalty. Whether or not you participate in this study will not affect benefits and services to which you are normally entitled. You will be reimbursed (\$20.00) for the time you are spending in this interview. However, if you choose not to participate in sections of the interview you may not receive the full payment. At any time, you may ask the researchers to explain any part of the study.

WHO TO CALL WITH QUESTIONS

If you have questions about this Survey, including questions about your rights as a research subject, you may call Aguirre International (toll free) at 877-SAY-NAWS (OR 877-729-6297). They will refer your questions to Daniel Carroll at the Department of Labor, at (202) 693-2795.