## Instructions and Definitions Wet Mill Producers of Ethanol (M311C)

- 1. Scope of survey This survey covers all establishments generating corn based products and by-products using the wet mill process to produce ethanol.
- 2. Figures to be reported Companies with more than one establishment manufacturing the products covered by this survey are requested to complete a separate report form for each location. If you have not received a separate report form for each of your establishments, please write if you need additional forms. A separate report form is required for each wet mill which your company operates.

## a. Materials and oils to be included on this report

- 1. Corn or other grain processed by steeping whole kernels in water to release starch including those used in the distillation of beverage alcohol, industrial alcohol, and fuel alcohol.
- 2. Report all quantities of ground corn and products produced for your own account or on a toll basis. All establishments reporting corn by-products should report corn grind. Corn grind is a necessary input in the production process of corn by-products.

## b. Wet mill products

- 1. *Food grade corn oil:* Corn oil extracted during the wet mill process and used in products for food preparation. Food grade oil is used in frying oil and is also a key ingredient in margarines.
- 2. *Industrial grade corn oil:* Corn oil extracted during the wet mill process and used for industrial purposes. Some examples include the manufacture of lubricants, biodiesel fuels, soap, salves, paint, inks, and insecticides.
- 3. *HFCS 42:* High fructose corn syrup which contains 42% fructose. Used in beverages, processed foods, cereals, and baked goods.
- 4. *HFCS 55:* High fructose corn syrup which contains 55% fructose. Used in soft drinks.
- 5. *Glucose & Dextrose:* Sugars produced from fermentation.
- 6. *Starch:* A white, tasteless, solid carbohydrate occurring in the form of minute granules in plants. Starch is an important constituent of rice, corn, wheat, beans, potatoes and many other vegetable foods.

## c. Wet mill co-products

- 1. *Corn gluten meal:* A high protein concentrate, which typically contains 60 percent, 2.5 percent fat, and 1 percent fiber. It is a valuable source of methioine. Corn gluten meal also has a high level of xanthophylls, which makes it an attractive ingredient in poultry diets as a source of yellow pigment.
- 2. *Corn gluten feed:* A medium protein ingredient composed of the bran and fibrous portions of the corn kernel. It may, or may not contain the condensed corn extractives. This by-product can be sold as wet or dry feed ingredient. The bran and condensed extractives (sometimes called germ meal) are combined and dried in a rotary dryer. Typically corn gluten meal contains 21 percent protein, 2.5 percent fat, and 8 percent fiber.
- 3. *Wet corn gluten feed:* Wet corn gluten feed (45 percent dry matter) is perishable in 6-10days and must be fed within that time period or stored in an anerobic environment.
- 4. *Corn germ meal:* Medium protein ingredient obtained from the corn germ fraction after the corn oil has been removed. It contains 20 percent protein, 2 percent fat, and 9.5 percent fiber. It has an amino acid balance that makes it valuable in poultry and swine diets.
- 5. *Steepwater (liquor):* A high energy liquid feed ingredient. It contains about 25 percent protein on a 50 percent dry matter basis. This product is sometimes combined with corn gluten feed, or may be sold separately as a liquid protein source for beef or dairy rations.
- 6. *Carbon dioxide (CO2):* Carbon dioxide is present during the fermentation stage of ethyl alcohol production and many wet mills collect that carbon dioxide and market it as a co-product. Some uses of carbon dioxide include carbonating beverages, manufacturing dry ice, and flash freezing meat.