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### **Globalized Tender Invitation for Seven TMT of 2013 Australian Rice CSQ**

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**Report Highlights:**

Tender GF4-102-154 for 7,000 MT of the 2013 Australian country specific quota (CSQ) failed three tenders. The fourth tender is scheduled for April 23, not limited to Australia but open on a global basis. The tender specification remains unchanged for medium or short grain brown rice, with delivery term August 1 to September 30, 2014.

## **General Information:**

### **Seven TMT of the 2013 Australian Rice CSQ Opened for Global Supply**

- GF4-102-154 for 7,000 MT of Medium or Short Grain on a Global Basis

Tender GF4-102-154 for 7,000 MT of the 2013 Australian rice Country Specific Quota (CSQ) under normal scheme failed three tenders held on January 8, February 10, and March 31, 2014. All failed tenders were a result of offered bidding prices exceeding the pre-set ceiling prices, with the lowest offered bidding price at NT\$29,995/MT (or \$985/MT) on the March 31 tender.

On April 9, Taiwan's Council of Agriculture (COA) announced a fourth tender for April 23 on a global basis. The tender specification remains unchanged for medium or short grain brown rice, with delivery term August 1 to September 30, 2014 to COA designated warehouses.

Tender GF4-102-154 will be closed after the fourth tender regardless if the April 23<sup>rd</sup> tender is successfully awarded or not.

### **Updates on the 2014 Country Specific Quota Tender under Simultaneous-Buy and Sale (SBS) Scheme**

- GF4-103-105 for 2,000 MT of Thai-origin rice

The tender failed the first and second tender. The first tender was held on March 25. A total of nine bidders participated in the bid, with highest offered markup price of NT\$8.110/kg (or \$265/MT). The second tender was held on April 7, seven bidders participated in the bid, with highest offered markup price of NT\$8.001/kg (or \$264/MT). The third tender has been scheduled for April 21.

- GF4-101-104 for 2,500 MT of Australian-origin rice: succeeded at the 2<sup>nd</sup> tender on April 7, 2014.

The tender failed the first tender held on March 25, with highest offered markup price of NT\$0.725/kg (or \$24/MT). However, it succeeded the second tender on April 7. All 2,500 MT of allotment were successfully awarded to three out of three bidding participants, 500 MT at markup price of NT\$0.889/kg (or \$29/MT), 1,000 MT at NT\$0.851/kg (or \$28/MT) and 1,000 MT at NT\$0.801/kg (or \$26/MT).

**Exchange rates:** \$1 = NT\$30.539 on 03/25/2014; NT\$30.458 on 03/31/2014; NT\$30.253 on 04/07/2014.

**Table 1 - Taiwan's 2014 Country Specific Quota for Public Sector Rice Imports  
(MT, on a brown rice basis)**

Country	SBS Tender		Normal Tender	Total Rice CSQ Allotment
	1 <sup>st</sup> Tranche (delivery by 12/31/2014)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tranche (delivery by 4/30/2015)		
<b>Egypt</b>	0	2,500	0	<b>2,500</b>
<b>Thailand</b>	4,000 (2,000 completed 03/18/2014)	4,300	0	<b>8,300</b>
<b>Australia</b>	2,500 (completed 04/07/2014)	5,000	11,134	<b>18,634</b>
<b>USA</b>	10,000 (completed 03/18/2014)	16,000	38,634	<b>64,634</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>16,500</b>	<b>27,800</b>	<b>49,768</b>	<b>94,068</b>