

STAKEHOLDER ANNOUNCEMENT

Adcock Named Administrator of USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service

WASHINGTON, July 15, 2020 – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Deputy Under Secretary Bette Brand today named Rebeckah Freeman Adcock Administrator of the Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

Before being appointed to this role, Adcock served as a Senior Advisor to Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. In 2017, the Secretary designated Adcock as USDA's Regulatory Reform and Policy Officer, where she led the effort to ease the burden of overregulation and ensure that regulatory actions are properly prioritized and implemented.

Adcock directly advised the Secretary and led internal coordination on issues relating to homeland security, operational continuity and emergency/disaster response, including serving as chair of USDA's Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) group. Adcock served as the Manager of the President's Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity and continues to advise the Secretary on policy relating to interagency coordination.

Before joining USDA, Adcock served as a senior policy director for various agricultural organizations and as Counsel on the United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works for Sen. Jim Inhofe.

Adcock will begin her new role on July 20. USDA Rural Development encourages partners and stakeholder groups to reach out to Rebeckah in her new role to build on existing partnerships and create new ones.

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