

**261—51.2(15E) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

*“Agreement”* means a contract for financial assistance under the program describing the terms on which the financial assistance is to be provided.

*“Applicant”* means a business applying for assistance under the program.

*“Authority”* means the economic development authority created in Iowa Code section 15.105.

*“Authority’s website”* means the information and related content found at [www.iowaeda.com](http://www.iowaeda.com) and may include integrated content at affiliate sites.

*“Board”* means the members of the economic development authority appointed by the governor and in whom the powers of the authority are vested pursuant to Iowa Code section 15.105.

*“Business”* means a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, or other business entity organized for profit under the laws of the state of Iowa or another state, under federal statutes, or under the laws of another country.

*“CIRAS”* means the center for industrial research and service at Iowa state university of science and technology.

*“Committee”* means the committee of application reviewers appointed by the director and the secretary pursuant to subrule 51.5(1).

*“Department”* means the department of agriculture and land stewardship.

*“Director”* means the director of the authority.

*“Establishment”* means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 189A.2.

*“Federal grant of inspection”* means a certification issued by the Food Safety and Inspection Service certifying that an establishment is in compliance with the applicable requirements of 9 Code of Federal Regulations Chapter III and has been granted daily inspection services by FSIS.

*“Federally inspected small-scale meat processing business”* means an establishment that has been issued a federal grant of inspection and meets eligible business criteria in subrule 51.3(1).

*“Financial assistance”* means assistance provided only from the funds and assets legally available to the authority pursuant to Iowa Code section 15.370 as enacted by 2021 Iowa Acts, House File 857, section 1, and includes assistance in the form of grants, low-interest loans, and forgivable loans.

*“Food Safety and Inspection Service”* or *“FSIS”* means the agency of the United States Department of Agriculture which regulates establishments.

*“Grant”* means an award of assistance with the expectation that, with the fulfillment of the conditions, terms and obligations of the contract with the authority for the project, repayment of funds is not required.

*“Licensed custom locker”* means an establishment that slaughters or prepares livestock exclusively for use by the owners of the livestock, members of their household, and their nonpaying guests and employees, that is periodically inspected by the department, and that meets the eligible business criteria in subrule 51.3(1).

*“Mobile slaughter unit”* means a self-contained slaughter establishment that can travel from site to site, that operates in compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and the most current mobile slaughter unit compliance guide issued by FSIS, and that meets the eligible business criteria in subrule 51.3(1).

*“Program”* means the butchery innovation and revitalization program established pursuant to this chapter.

*“Project”* means an activity or activities undertaken by the applicant to be carried out at an establishment.

*“Secretary”* means the secretary of agriculture, who is the head of the department.

*“State grant of inspection”* means a certification issued by the department certifying that an establishment is in compliance with the applicable requirements of 21—Chapter 76 and has been granted daily inspection services by the department.

*“State-inspected small-scale meat processing business”* means an establishment that has been issued a state grant of inspection and meets the eligible business criteria in subrule 51.3(1).

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