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SUBJECT: Acreage Reporting Date for Actual Production History Sugarcane – Texas

BACKGROUND:

As part of the Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative, acreage reporting dates (ARDs) were reviewed and consolidated across both the Risk Management Agency (RMA) and the Farm Service Agency programs. As a result of this review, the ARD for sugarcane in Texas was changed from May 31 to January 15 beginning with the 2013 crop year.

After receiving comments regarding the January 15 ARD, RMA understands this date may cause an undue hardship on policyholders by requiring them to report their sugarcane acreage for the upcoming crop year: 1) before the beginning of that crop year's sugarcane insurance period, in accordance with section 7 of the Sugarcane Crop Provisions; and 2) before harvest of the previous crop year's sugarcane acreage.

ACTION:

Texas policyholders may file their 2013 crop year sugarcane acreage reports with their Approved Insurance Providers until May 15, 2013.

RMA will revise the 2014 crop year actuarial documents containing the ARD for sugarcane in Texas.

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2013.

