June 30, 2009

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-09-030

TO: All Approved Insurance Providers
    All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
    All Other Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: 2010 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbook


Modifications to the Draft 2010 Appendix III resulting from Approved Insurance Provider and RMA suggestions include:

- New T51 Record and additional elements added to the Agent and Adjuster Records for Conflict of Interest Reporting;
- New T54 Agency/Company Employee Data Record;
- Allow reporting of Zero Inventory Values on T13 Record.

The 2010 Appendix III has been placed on the RMA website under “Approved 2010”. Companies can email their questions regarding Appendix III content, using “comments” in the subject line to appendixiii.comments@rma.usda.gov.

In addition, Attachment A formalizes modifications to the 2006 – 2009 Appendix III, that have resulted from various business issues relating to program changes or processing considerations that arose during the normal course of data reporting.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This Informational Memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and the expiration date is December 31, 2009.
Appendix III Approved Modifications – 2006 Through 2009 Reinsurance Year

- New fields added to T25 Settlement record for processing settlements through accounting – 2006
- Addition of Tsunami as a cause of loss – 2007
- CIMS request and output records – 2008
- Added Florida Citrus code 0252 Citrus VIII – 2008
- Silage Sorghum implemented under plan code 90 – 2009
- Biotech Endorsement Pilot changes – 2009
- Added new crops Apiculture, ARH Cherries, Pumpkins, and Oysters – 2009

The 2006 through 2009 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbooks, have been updated with these modifications and are available electronically via the Risk Management Agency Website at http://www.rma.usda.gov/data/ under the Data Acceptance System Handbook directory.