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**INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM PM-11-016**

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

**FROM:** Tim B. Witt /s/ *Tim B. Witt*  
Deputy Administrator

**SUBJECT:** Updates/Patches to 2011 and 2012 Nursery Inventory and Appraisal Software

**BACKGROUND:**

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) has identified two anomalies regarding the Nursery Software: one in the 2011 and 2012 Nursery Appraisal Software and one in the 2012 Nursery Inventory Software.

For the 2011 and 2012 Nursery Appraisal Software, if the Nursery Grower's Price Endorsement (NGPE) was not elected for the container grown practice but was elected for the field grown practice, the software will not allow the user to endorse plant prices for the field grown practice. The result is field grown plants, for which producers elected the NGPE prior to insurance attaching, will not have the endorsed price available to them at the time of loss. This is not an issue if the NGPE was elected for the container grown practice only or if the NGPE was elected for both container grown and field grown practices.

For the 2012 Nursery Inventory Software, when a user creates two identical lines (e.g., each line contains the same field ID, plant name, size, practice, price, and quantity as another line) on the plant inventory list, one of the lines is not included when the user prints the Crop Inventory Valuation Report (CIVR). The result is an inventory value on the CIVR that is less than the inventory value entered in the 2012 Nursery Inventory Software.

As a courtesy, the 2011 Nursery Inventory Software has been updated to make improvements in the data verification for import, export, and file merge procedures. These improvements make the importing, exporting and merging functions seamless between the 2011 Nursery Inventory Software and the patches to the software packages or the updated software packages available after the release of the 2011 Nursery Inventory Software.



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**ACTION:**

By close of business today, the following information will be available on RMA's Web site at [www.rma.usda.gov/tools/eplpps](http://www.rma.usda.gov/tools/eplpps):

- 1) A patch for the 2011 Nursery Inventory Software;
- 2) The updated version of the 2011 Nursery Inventory Software for users who have not yet downloaded the software;
- 3) A patch for the 2011 Nursery Appraisal Software;
- 4) The updated version of the 2012 Nursery Inventory Software for users who have not yet downloaded the software;
- 5) A patch for users who have already downloaded the 2012 Nursery Inventory Software;  
and
- 6) The updated version of the 2012 Nursery Appraisal Software, as the 2012 Nursery Appraisal Software has not yet been uploaded to RMA's Web site.

**DISPOSAL DATE:**

May 31, 2012