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TO: All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

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Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: 2011 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbook

The 2011 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbook, has been updated with approved modifications. Appendix III is available electronically via the Risk Management Agency (RMA) website at http://www.rma.usda.gov/data/ under the Data Acceptance System Handbook directory.

Modifications in the 2011 Appendix III:

- Max Yield requirements changed to Sanity Yield check;
- P55A for file retention location;
- SSN Validation code to P10B record;
- ICE files and edits for Common Options;
- Business requirements for new Buckwheat, Cottonseed, Grass Seed and Fresh Market Bean programs.

Companies can email their questions or comments regarding Appendix III content, using "comments" in the subject line to appendixiii.comments@rma.usda.gov.

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December 31, 2012.

