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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-13-012

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: Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions for 2014 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) has revised the Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions for the 2014 and succeeding crop years. Changes to the Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions include: the addition of optional units by non-contiguous land; a minimum production requirement to replace the minimum age requirement for insurability; a change in the base period for calculating the Approved Average Revenue from a maximum of ten years to a maximum of six years; the addition of a transitional revenue (T-revenue) to replace the lowest available dollar span when the producer is unable to provide records; and a provision to allow the use of the actual price received by producers when determining indemnities in place of the market price, if the price received falls within an established threshold. Please refer to the Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions for complete information.

ACTION

RMA will place, by close of business today, the new Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions and Summary of Changes on the RMA Web site at http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies.

The 2013 Pecan Revenue Special Provisions contains a statement modifying the definition of the two-year coverage module. This change is applicable to policyholders beginning the first year of a two-year coverage module in the 2013 crop year. The purpose of this change, anticipating new Crop Provisions for 2014, is to allow all pecan producers to begin a new two-year coverage module for the 2014 crop year under the terms and conditions of the revised Pecan Revenue Crop Provisions. This will provide equitable treatment of pecan producers and will simplify the transition to the modified program under the revised terms of the Crop Provisions.



All policies will automatically renew for the 2014 crop year unless the policyholder provides written notification to their Approved Insurance Provider that they want to cancel coverage by the January 31, 2014, cancellation date.

Pecan producers not currently insured that are interested in Pecan Revenue coverage will need to contact a crop insurance agent and complete an application. RMA has published on its website a list of agents. The address of the website is: www.rma.usda.gov/.

DISPOSAL DATE

December 31, 2013