

FROM:

SUBJECT:

United States Department of Agriculture

September 11, 2013

Farm and Foreign Agricultural

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-13-042

Services

TO: All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

Risk Management Agency

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Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement – 2014 and Succeeding Crop

Years

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) has revised the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement (14-CAT) to incorporate changes made in the Final Rule published in the Federal Register on August 27, 2013. The changes are effective for the 2014 and succeeding crop years for all crops with a contract change date on or after September 30, 2013, and for the 2015 and succeeding crop years for all crops with a contract change date prior to September 30, 2013. The intended effect of this action is to clarify existing policy provisions and to incorporate changes that are consistent with those made in the Common Crop Insurance Policy Basic Provisions and to incorporate provisions regarding catastrophic risk protection coverage for area yield plans from the Area Risk Protection Insurance Basic Provisions.

Please refer to the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement for more information.

ACTION:

RMA will place, by close of business today, the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement on the RMA Web site at http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Bing or Erin Albright, Product Administration and Standards Division, at (816) 926-7730.

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2013