

United States Department of Agriculture Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services Risk Management Agency Beacon Facility – Mail Stop 0801 P.O. Box 419205 Kansas City, MO 64141-6205	February 18, 2016			
	INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-16-012			
	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:	2016 Margin Protection Plan Projected Prices and Volatility Factors		

Margin Protection Plan

The following 2016 CY **margin projected prices** and **volatility factors** are approved for Margin Protection Plan for **rice** offers with a **February 28 sales closing date**. The margin projected price is used in conjunction with projected input prices and the expected county yield to derive the expected margin (per acre), trigger margin (per acre) and liability. The expected margins for each crop/county are available at the following web page on RMA's public website:

http://webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser/.

Please see the following web page on RMA's public website for program details: <u>http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/mp/index.html</u>

			Margin Projected	Volatility
Crop/Type	Exchange	Contract	Price	Factor
Rice – Long Grain Type & No Type Specified Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.117/pound	.15
Rice – Medium & Short Grain Types Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.133/pound	.15
Rice – Long Grain Type & No Type Specified Missouri	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.117/pound	.16
Rice – Medium & Short Grain Types Missouri	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.133/pound	.16
Rice – Long Grain Type & No Type Specified California	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.117/pound	.16
Rice – Medium & Short Grain Types California	СВОТ	September* Rice	\$0.165/pound	.16
Rice – Long Grain Type & No Type Specified Louisiana	СВОТ	September Rice	\$0.117/pound	.13
Rice – Medium & Short Grain Types Louisiana	СВОТ	September Rice	\$0.133/pound	.13

*For Margin Projected Prices, the September contract was used in lieu of the November contract due to low open interest.

DISPOSAL DATE

December 31, 2016