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TO: All Reinsured Companies
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

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SUBJECT: 2007 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbook

The Draft 2007 Appendix III, Data Acceptance System Handbook is available for comment on the Risk Management Agency (RMA) website at <http://www.rma.usda.gov/data/> under the Data Acceptance System Handbook directory.

The draft identifies changes in the 2007 Appendix III from the current 2006 version. The changes are identified in red.

Significant modifications in the 2007 Appendix III resulting from industry and RMA suggestions include:

- Clarification in the Fund Designation requirements for Florida Fruit Trees and Nursery;
- Clarification of Policy Key on T10;
- Reporting of additional Grid ID and subtype fields on Type 11 and Type 21;
- Reporting of Skip Row Codes on T11, T15 and T21;
- New T27 record for Reporting Common Land Unit ID and Acres;
- Added Gleaning code field to T21; and
- Changed Unit Liability tolerance on T11.

A teleconference will be held from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Wednesday, June 6, 2006, to review the draft and discuss any questions. The conference number to call for the teleconference is 888-730-9134. The conference code is 59113. Companies can email their comments regarding Appendix III content using "2007 Comments" in the subject line to appendixiii.comments@rma.usda.gov by Wednesday, June 14, 2006.

DISPOSAL DATE:

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