1. Definitions.

Crop year - In Imperial, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Siskiyou counties. California and all other States, the period within which the sugar beets are normally grown, which is designated by the calendar year in which the sugar beets are normally harvested. In all other California counties, the period from planting until the applicable date for the end of the insurance period which is designated by:
(a) The calendar year in which planted if planted on or before July 15; or
(b) The following calendar year if planted after July 15.

Days - Calendar days.

FSA - Farm Service Agency of the United States Department of Agriculture, or a successor agency.

Final planting date - The date contained in the Special Provisions for the insured crop by which the crop must initially be planted in order to be insured for the full production guarantee.

Good farming practices - The cultural practices generally in use in the county for the crop to make normal progress toward maturity and produce at least the yield used to determine the production guarantee and are those recognized by the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service as compatible with agronomic and weather conditions in the county.

Harvest - Topping and lifting of sugar beets in the field.

Initially planted - The first occurrence that land is considered as planted acreage for the crop year.

Interplanted - Acreage on which two or more crops are planted in a manner that does not permit separate agronomic maintenance or harvest of the insured crop.

Irrigated practice - A method of producing a crop by which water is artificially applied during the growing season by appropriate systems and at the proper times, with the intention of providing the quantity of water needed to produce at least the yield used to establish the irrigated production guarantee on the irrigated acreage planted to the insured crop.

Late planted - Acreage planted to the insured crop during the late planting period.

Late planting period - The period that begins the day after the final planting date for the insured crop and ends twenty-five (25) days after the final planting date.

Local market price - The price per pound for raw sugar offered by buyers in the area in which you normally market the sugar beets.

Planted acreage - Land in which seed has been placed by a machine appropriate for the insured crop and planting method, at the correct depth, into a seedbed that has been properly prepared for the planting method and production practice. Sugar beets must initially be planted in rows to be considered planted. Acreage planted in any other manner will not be insurable unless otherwise provided by the Special Provisions or by written agreement.

Practical to replant - In lieu of the definition of “Practical to replant” contained in section 1 of the Basic Provisions, practical to replant is defined as our determination, after loss or damage to the insured crop, based on factors, including but not limited to moisture availability, condition of the field, time to crop maturity, and marketing window, that replanting the insured crop will allow the crop to attain maturity prior to the calendar date for the end of the insurance period. It will not be considered practical to replant if production from the replanted acreage cannot be delivered under the terms of the processor contract, or 30 days after the initial planting date for all counties where a late planting period is not applicable, unless replanting is generally occurring in the area.

Prevented planting - Inability to plant the insured crop with proper equipment by the final planting date designated in the Special Provisions for the insured crop in the county or the end of the late planting period. You must have been unable to plant the insured crop due to an insured cause of loss that has prevented the majority of producers in the surrounding area from planting the same crop.

Processor - Any business enterprise regularly engaged in processing sugar beets for sugar that possesses all licenses and permits for processing sugar beets required by the State in which it operates, and that possesses facilities, or has contractual access to such facilities, with enough equipment to accept and process the contracted sugar beets within a reasonable amount of time after harvest.

Production guarantee (per acre): (a) First stage production guarantee - The final stage production guarantee multiplied by 60 percent.

Raw sugar - Sugar that has not been extracted from the sugar beet.

Replanting - Performing the cultural practices necessary to replace the sugar beet seed and then replacing the sugar beet seed in the insured acreage with the expectation of growing a successful crop.

Standardized ton - A ton of sugar beets containing the percentage of raw sugar specified in the Special Provisions.

Sugar beet processor contract - A written contract between the producer and the processor, containing at a minimum:
(1) The producer's commitment to plant and grow sugar beets, and to deliver the sugar beet production to the processor;
(2) The processor's commitment to purchase the production stated in the contract; and
(3) A price or formula for a price based on third party data that will be paid to the producer for the production stated in the contract.

Thinning - The process of removing, either by machine or hand, a portion of the sugar beet plants to attain a desired plant population.

Timely planted - Planted on or before the final planting date designated in the Special Provisions for the insured crop in the county.

Ton - Two thousand (2,000) pounds avoirdupois.

Written agreement - A written document that alters designated terms of this policy in accordance with section 15.
basis including, but not limited to, production practice, type, variety, and planting period other than as described in this section.

(c) If you do not comply fully with these provisions, we will combine all optional units that are not in compliance with these provisions into the basic unit from which they were formed. We will combine the optional units at any time we discover that you have failed to comply with these provisions. If failure to comply with these provisions is determined to be inadvertent, and the optional units are combined into a basic unit, that portion of the additional premium paid for the optional units that have been combined will be refunded to you.

(d) All optional units you selected for the crop year must be identified on the acreage report for that crop year.

(e) The following requirements must be met for each optional unit:

(1) You must have records, which can be independently verified, of planted acreage and production for each optional unit for at least the last crop year used to determine your production guarantee;

(2) You must plant the crop in a manner that results in a clear and discernable break in the planting pattern at the boundaries of each optional unit;

(3) You must have records of marketed production or measurement of stored production from each optional unit maintained in such a manner that permits us to verify the production from each optional unit, or the production from each unit must be kept separate until loss adjustment is completed by us;

(4) The sugar beet processor contract provides that the processor will accept all the production from the number of acres designated in the contract (Acreage insured under a sugar beet processor contract which provides that the processor will accept a designated amount of production will not be eligible for optional units).

(5) Each optional unit must meet one or more of the following criteria, as applicable:

(i) **Optional Units by Section, Section Equivalent, or FSA Farm Serial Number:** Optional units may be established if each optional unit is located in a separate legally identified Section. In the absence of Sections, we may consider parcels of land legally identified by other methods of measure including, but not limited to Spanish grants, railroad surveys, leagues, labors, or Virginia Military Lands, as the equivalent of Sections for unit purposes. In areas that have not been surveyed using the systems identified above, or another system approved by us, or in areas where such systems exist but boundaries are not readily discernable, each optional unit must be located in a separate farm identified by a single FSA Farm Serial Number.

(ii) **Optional Units on Acreage Including Both Irrigated and Non-Irrigated Practices:** In addition to, or instead of, establishing optional units by Section, section equivalent, or FSA Farm Serial Number, optional units may be based on irrigated acreage or non-irrigated acreage if both are located in the same Section, section equivalent, or FSA Farm Serial Number. To qualify as separate irrigated and non-irrigated optional units, the non-irrigated acreage may not continue into the irrigated acreage in the same rows or planting pattern. The irrigated acreage may not extend beyond the point at which the irrigation system can deliver the quantity of water needed to produce the yield on which the guarantee is based. However, the corners of a field in which a center-pivot irrigation system is used will be considered as irrigated acreage if separate acceptable records of production from the corners are not provided. If the corners of a field in which a center-pivot irrigation system is used do not qualify as a separate non-irrigated optional unit, they will be a part of the unit containing the irrigated acreage. However, non-irrigated acreage that is not a part of a field in which a center-pivot irrigation system is used may qualify as a separate optional unit provided that all requirements of this section are met.

3. **Insurance Guarantees, Coverage Levels, and Prices for Determining Indemnities.**

(a) In addition to the requirements of section 3 (Insurance Guarantees, Coverage Levels, and Prices for Determining Indemnities) of the Basic Provisions, you may select only one price election for all the sugar beets in the county insured under this policy.

(b) The production guarantees are progressive by stages, and increase at specified intervals to the final stage. The stages are:

1. First stage, with a guarantee of 60 percent (60%) of the final stage production guarantee, extends from planting until:
   - (i) July 1 in Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Siskiyou counties, California and all other States except Oregon and Washington;
   - (ii) The earlier of thinning or 90 days after planting in Arizona and all other California counties.

2. Final stage, with a guarantee of 100 percent (100%) of the final stage production guarantee, applies to all insured sugar beets that complete the first stage.

(c) The production guarantee will be expressed in standardized tons.

(d) Any acreage of sugar beets damaged in the first stage to the extent that growers in the area would not normally further care for the sugar beets will be deemed to have been destroyed, even though you may continue to care for it. The production guarantee for such acreage will not exceed the first stage production guarantee.

4. **Contract Changes.**

In accordance with the provisions of section 4 (Contract Changes) of the Basic Provisions, the contract change date is April 30 preceding the cancellation date for counties with a July 15 or August 31 cancellation date and November 30 preceding the cancellation date for all other counties.

5. **Cancellation and Termination Dates.**

In accordance with section 2 (Life of Policy, Cancellation, and Termination) of the Basic Provisions, the cancellation and termination dates are:

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6. **Annual Premium.**

In lieu of the premium computation method contained in section 7 (Annual Premium) of the Basic Provisions, the annual premium amount is computed by multiplying the final
stage production guarantee by the price election, the premium rate, the insured acreage, your share at the time of planting, and any applicable premium adjustment factors contained in the Actuarial Table.

7. Insured Crop.
(a) In accordance with section 8 (Insured Crop) of the Basic Provisions, the crop insured will be all the sugar beets in the county for which a premium rate is provided by the Actuarial Table:
1. In which you have a share;
2. That are planted for harvest as sugar beets;
3. That are grown under a sugar beet processor contract executed before the acreage reporting date and are not excluded from the processor contract at any time during the crop year; and
4. That are not (unless allowed by the Special Provisions or by written agreement):
   (i) Interplanted with another crop;
   (ii) Planted into an established grass or legume; or
   (iii) Planted prior to submitting a properly completed application.
(b) Sugar beet growers who are also processors may establish an insurable interest if they meet the following requirements:
1. The processor must meet the definition of a “processor” in section 1 of these crop provisions and have a valid insurable interest in the sugar beet crop;
2. The Board of Directors or officers of the processor must have duly promulgated a resolution that sets forth essentially the same terms as a sugar beet processor contract. Such resolution will be considered a sugar beet processing contract under the terms of the sugar beet crop insurance policy;
3. The sales records of the processor showing the amount of sugar produced the previous year must be supplied to us to confirm the processor has produced and sold sugar in the past; and
4. Our inspection of the processing facilities determines that they conform to the definition of processor contained in section 1 of these crop provisions.

8. Insurable Acreage.
In addition to the provisions of section 9 (Insurable Acreage) of the Basic Provisions:
(a) We will not insure any acreage planted to sugar beets:
1. In the preceding crop year, unless otherwise specified in the Special Provisions for the county;
2. In any crop year following the discovery of rhizomania on the acreage, unless allowed by the Special Provisions or by written agreement; or
3. That does not meet the rotation requirements shown in the Special Provisions;
(b) Any acreage of the insured crop damaged before the final planting date, (or within 30 days of initial planting for those counties without a final planting date) to the extent that growers in the area would normally not further care for the crop, must be replanted unless we agree that replanting is not practical.

(a) In accordance with the provisions of section 11 (Insurance Period) of the Basic Provisions, the calendar date for the end of the insurance period is:
1. July 15 in Arizona and in Imperial County, California;
2. The last day of the 12th month after the insured crop was initially planted in all California counties except Imperial, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Siskiyou;
3. October 31 in Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Siskiyou Counties, California, and in Klamath County, Oregon;
4. November 25 in Ohio;
5. December 31 in New Mexico and Texas; and
6. November 15 in all other States and counties.
(b) In addition to the provisions of section 11 (Insurance Period) of the Basic Provisions, regarding the end of the insurance period, the insurance period ends for all units when the production delivered to the processor equals the amount of production stated in the sugar beet processor contract.

In accordance with the provisions of section 12 (Causes of Loss) of the Basic Provisions, insurance is provided only against the following causes of loss that occur within the insurance period:
(a) Adverse weather conditions;
(b) Fire;
(c) Insects, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of pest control measures;
(d) Plant disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of disease control measures;
(e) Wildlife;
(f) Earthquake;
(g) Volcanic eruption; or
(h) Failure of the irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril that occurs during the insurance period.

11. Replanting Payments.
(a) In accordance with section 13 (Replanting Payment) of the Basic Provisions, a replanting payment is allowed if the crop is damaged by an insurable cause of loss to the extent that the remaining stand will not produce at least 90 percent (90%) of the final stage production guarantee for the acreage and it is practical to replant.
(b) The maximum amount of the replanting payment per acre will be the lesser of 10 percent (10%) of the final stage production guarantee or one ton, multiplied by your price election, multiplied by your insured share.
(c) When sugar beets are replanted using a practice that is uninsurable for an original planting, our liability on the unit will be reduced by the amount of the replanting payment. The premium amount will not be reduced.

12. Duties In The Event of Damage or Loss.
In accordance with the requirements of section 14 (Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss) of the Basic Provisions:
(a) Representative samples of the unharvested crop must be taken in accordance with the provisions of section 14 (Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss) of the Basic Provisions:
1. For any optional unit, we will combine all optional units for which acceptable production records were not provided; or
2. For any basic unit, we will allocate any commingled production to such units in proportion to our liability on the harvested acreage for each unit.
(b) In the event of loss or damage covered by this policy, we will settle your claim on any unit by:
1. Multiplying the insured acreage by its respective production guarantee;
2. Subtracting the total production to count from the result in paragraph (b)(1);
3. Multiplying the result of paragraph (b)(2) by your price election; and
4. Multiplying the result of paragraph (b)(3) by your share.
(c) The total production to count (in standardized tons) from all insurable acreage on the unit will include:
1. All appraised production as follows:
   (i) Not less than the production guarantee for acreage;
   (A) That is abandoned;
Harvested production or unharvested production that is percent of raw sugar will equal the raw sugar content total production. If not representative, the average determined that such results are representative of the minimum acceptable standards contained in the processor accepts harvested production and that does not meet the processor accepts harvested production and that does meet the earliest delivery date that the processor accepts harvested production and that does not meet the minimum acceptable standards contained in the sugar beet processor contract due to an insured peril will be converted to standardized tons by:

1. Dividing the gross dollar value of all of the damaged sugar beets on the unit (including the value of cooperative stock, patronage refunds, etc.) by the local market price per pound on the earlier of the date such production is sold or the date of final inspection for the unit;
2. Dividing that result by 2,000; and
3. Dividing that result by the county average raw sugar factor contained in the Special Provisions for this purpose.

For example, assume that the total dollar value of the damaged sugar beets is $6,000.00; the local market price is $0.10; and the county average raw sugar factor is 0.15. The amount of production to count would be calculated as follows: (($6,000.00 ÷ $0.10) ÷ 2,000) ÷ 0.15 = 200 tons.

14. Late and Prevented Planting.

(a) In lieu of provisions contained in the Basic Provisions regarding acreage initially planted after the final planting date and the applicability of a Late Planting Agreement Option, insurance will be provided for acreage planted to the insured crop during the late planting period (see section 14(c)), and acreage you were prevented from planting (see section 14(d)). These coverages provide reduced production guarantees and are applicable in all counties except California counties with a July 15 cancellation date. The premium amount for late planted acreage and eligible prevented planting acreage will be the same as that for timely planted acreage. If the amount of premium you are required to pay (gross premium less our subsidy) for late planted acreage or prevented planting acreage exceeds the liability on such acreage: coverage for those acres will not be provided; no premium will be due; and no indemnity will be paid for such acreage.

(b) You must provide written notice to us not later than the acreage reporting date if you were prevented from planting.

(c) Late Planting

(1) For sugar beet acreage planted during the late planting period, the production guarantee for the applicable stage for each acre will be reduced for each day planted after the final planting date by:
   i. One percent (1%) for the 1st through the 10th day;
   ii. Two percent (2%) for the 11th through the 25th day.

(2) In addition to the requirements of section 6 (Report of Acreage) of the Basic Provisions, you must report the dates the acreage is planted within the late planting period.

(d) Prevented Planting (Including Planting After the Late Planting Period)

(1) If you were prevented from timely planting sugar beets, you may elect:
   i. To plant sugar beets during the late planting period. The production guarantee for such acreage will be determined in accordance with section 14(c)(1):
(ii) Not to plant this acreage to any crop except a cover crop not for harvest. You may also elect to plant the insured crop after the late planting period. In either case, the production guarantee for such acreage will be 35 percent of the final stage production guarantee for timely planted acres. For example, if your final stage production guarantee for timely planted acreage is 20.0 tons per acre, your prevented planting production guarantee would be 7.0 tons per acre (20.0 tons multiplied by 0.35). If you elect to plant the insured crop after the late planting period, production to count for such acreage will be determined in accordance with section 13; or

(iii) Not to plant the intended crop but plant a substitute crop for harvest, in which case:

(A) No prevented planting production guarantee will be provided for such acreage if the substitute crop is planted on or before the 10th day following the final planting date for the insured crop. If you elected the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement or excluded this coverage, and plant a substitute crop, no prevented planting coverage will be provided. For example, if your final stage production guarantee for timely planted acreage is 20.0 tons per acre, your prevented planting production guarantee would be 3.5 tons per acre (20.0 ton multiplied by 0.175). You may elect to exclude prevented planting coverage when a substitute crop is planted for harvest and receive a reduction in the applicable premium rate. If you wish to exclude this coverage, you must so indicate, on or before the sales closing date, on your application or on a form approved by us. Your election to exclude this coverage will remain in effect from year to year unless you notify us in writing on our form by the sales closing date contained in the applicable sales closing date for the crop year for which you wish to include or exclude this coverage. All acreage of the crop insured under this policy will be subject to this exclusion.

(2) Production guarantees for timely, late, and prevented planting acreage within a unit will be combined to determine the production guarantee for the unit. For example, assume you insure 1 unit in which you have a 100 percent share. The unit consists of 150 acres, of which 50 acres were planted timely, 50 acres were planted 7 days after the final planting date (late planted), and 50 acres were not planted but are eligible for a prevented planting production guarantee. The production guarantee for the unit will be computed as follows:

(i) For the timely planted acreage, multiply the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by the 50 acres planted timely;

(ii) For the late planted acreage, multiply the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by 93 percent and multiply the result by the 50 acres planted late; and

(iii) For prevented planting acreage, multiply the final stage per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by:

(A) Thirty five percent and multiply the result by the 50 acres you were prevented from planting, if the acreage is eligible for prevented planting coverage, and if the acreage is left idle for the crop year, or if a cover crop is planted not for harvest. Prevented planting compensation hereunder will not be denied because the acreage is planted after the final planting date for the insured crop. (This subparagraph (B) is not applicable, and prevented planting coverage is not available hereunder, if you elected the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement or you elected to exclude prevented planting coverage when a substitute crop is planted (see section 14(d)(1)(iii)).)

Your premium will be based on the result of multiplying the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by the 150 acres in the unit.

(3) You must have the inputs available to plant and you must plant the intended crop with the expectation of at least producing the production guarantee. Proof that these inputs were available may be required.

(4) In addition to the provisions of section 11 (Insurance Period) of the Basic Provisions, the insurance period for prevented planting coverage begins:

(i) On the sales closing date contained in the Special Provisions for the insured crop in the county for the crop year the application for insurance is accepted; or

(ii) For the previous crop year, on the sales closing date for the insured crop in the county for the previous crop year, provided continuous coverage has been in effect since that date. For example: If you make application and purchase insurance for sugar beets for the 1997 crop year, prevented planting coverage will begin on the 1997 sales closing date for sugar beets in the county. If the sugar beet coverage remains in effect for the 1998 crop year (is not terminated or canceled during or after the 1997 crop year), prevented planting coverage for the 1998 crop year began on the 1997 sales closing date. Cancellation for the purpose of transferring the policy to a different insurance provider when there is no lapse in coverage will not be considered terminated or canceled coverage for the purpose of the preceding sentence.

(5) The acreage to which prevented planting coverage applies will not exceed the total eligible acreage on all FSA Farm Serial Numbers in which you have a share, adjusted for any reconstitution that may have occurred on or before the sales closing date. Eligible acreage for each FSA Farm Serial Number is determined as follows:

(i) Eligible acreage will not exceed the number of acres required to be grown in the current crop year under a contract executed with a processor prior to the acreage reporting date or the number of acres needed to produce the amount of contracted production based on the APH yield for the acreage.
(ii) Acreage intended to be planted under an irrigated practice will be limited to the number of acres for which you had adequate irrigation facilities prior to the insured cause of loss which prevented you from planting.

(iii) A prevented planting production guarantee will not be provided for any acreage:

(A) That does not constitute at least 20 acres or 20 percent of the acreage in the unit, whichever is less (Acreage that is less than 20 acres or 20 percent of the acreage in the unit will be presumed to have been intended to be planted to the insured crop planted in the unit, unless you can show that you had the inputs available before the final planting date to plant and produce another insured crop on the acreage);

(B) For which the actuarial table does not designate a premium rate unless a written agreement designates such premium rate;

(C) Used for conservation purposes or intended to be left unplanted under any program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture;

(D) On which another crop is prevented from being planted, if you have already received a prevented planting indemnity, guarantee or amount of insurance for the same acreage in the same crop year, unless you provide adequate records of acreage and production showing that the acreage was double-cropped in each of the last 4 years;

(E) On which the insured crop is prevented from being planted, if any other crop is planted and fails, or is planted and harvested, hayed or grazed on the same acreage in the same crop year, (other than a cover crop as specified in section 14 (d)(2)(iii)(A), or a substitute crop allowed in section 14 (d)(2)(iii)(B), unless you provide adequate records of acreage and production showing that the acreage was double-cropped in each of the last 4 years;

(F) When coverage is provided under the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement if you plant another crop for harvest on any acreage you were prevented from planting in the same crop year, even if you have a history of double-cropping. If you have a Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement and receive a prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for a crop and are prevented from planting another crop on the same acreage, you may only receive the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for the crop on which the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance is received; or

(G) For which planting history or conservation plans indicate that the acreage would have remained fallow for crop rotation purposes.

(v) For the purpose of determining eligible acreage for prevented planting coverage, acreage for all units will be combined and be reduced by the number of sugar beet acres timely planted and late planted. For example, assume you have 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage in which you have a 100 percent (100%) share. The acreage is located in a single FSA Farm Serial Number which you insure as two separate optional units consisting of 50 acres each. If you planted 60 acres of sugar beets on one optional unit and 40 acres of sugar beets on the second optional unit, your prevented planting eligible acreage would be reduced to zero (i.e., 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage minus 100 acres planted equals zero).

(6) In accordance with the provisions of section 6 (Report of Acreage) of the Basic Provisions, you must report by unit any insurable acreage that you were prevented from planting. This report must be submitted on or before the acreage reporting date. For the purpose of determining acreage eligible for a prevented planting production guarantee, the total amount of prevented planting and planted acres cannot exceed the maximum number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage. Any acreage you report in excess of the number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage, or that exceeds the number of eligible acres physically located in a unit, will be deleted from your acreage report.

15. Written Agreements.

Designated terms of this policy may be altered by written agreement. The following conditions will apply:

(a) You must apply in writing for each written agreement no later than the sales closing date, except as provided in section 15(e).

(b) The application for a written agreement must contain all variable terms of the contract between you and us that will be in effect if the written agreement is not approved;

(c) If approved, the written agreement will include all variable terms of the contract, including, but not limited to, crop type or variety, the guarantee, premium rate, and price election.

(d) Each written agreement will only be valid for one year. If the written agreement is not specifically renewed the following year, insurance coverage for subsequent crop years will be in accordance with the printed policy.

(e) An application for a written agreement submitted after the sales closing date may be approved if, after a physical inspection of the acreage, it is determined that no loss has occurred and the crop is insurable in accordance with the policy and written agreement provisions.