

United States Department of Agriculture

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services
Risk Management Agency

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: All Reinsured Companies

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

FROM: Kenneth D. Ackerman /s/ Ken Ackerman 4-25-00

Administrator

SUBJECT: RMA Industry Meeting - May 2000

The Risk Management Agency's quarterly business meeting with the senior managers of all approved insurance providers is scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2000 and will conclude on Thursday at 12:00 p.m. on May 25, 2000. The status of pending legislation, current budget and other issues will be discussed. Attached is a meeting agenda.

A block of rooms have been reserved through May 2, 2000 under the block name,

USDA - Risk Management Agency. The rate is \$130.00 plus tax for singles, and \$150.00 plus tax for doubles. Please call the hotel to reserve your room by May 2, 2000. There is a cafe and sports bar for dining on-site.

Hotel Information: Holiday Inn Chicago City Centre

300 East Ohio Street Chicago, Illinois 60611 Ph.: (312) 787-6100

Please E-mail Velerie Eddleman to verify your attendance at <u>vaeddleman@kcc.usda.gov</u>. Velerie can also be reached at (916) 926-7449.

Attachment



RMA/Industry Meeting Holiday Inn City Centre Chicago, Illinois

Wednesday, May 24

1:00	Registration			
1:30	Opening Remarks		John Zirschky	
1:45	Legislative Update		Ken Ackerman	
2:15	Budget/99 Premium Discount	Phyllis 1	Honor	
3:30	OIG Comments (tentative)		Jim Ebbitt	
3:00	Break			
3:15	Risk Compliance Update		Garland Westmoreland	
3:45	Research and Development Update		Tim Witt	
4:15	Insurance Services Update		Robert Prchal	
4:45	Closing Comments			
Dinner is on your own.				

Thursday, May 25

8:00	Industry Agenda	Ron Brichler, NCIS Ben Latham, AACI Roger Swartz, CIRB
9:00	Break	
11:30	Closing Comments	Ken Ackerman
12:00	Adiourn	