

#### **United States Department of Agriculture**

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services Risk Management Agency

#### INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

| TO:   | All Reinsured Companies<br>All Risk Management Agency Field Offices<br>All Other Interested Parties |                         |          |
|-------|---|-------------------------|----------|
| FROM: | Kenneth D. Ackerman<br>Administrator  | /s/ Kenneth D. Ackerman | 12/28/00 |

SUBJECT: RMA Industry Meeting - January 2001

The Risk Management Agency's quarterly business meeting with the senior managers of all approved insurance providers is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 10, 2001, and will conclude on Thursday at 12:00 p.m. on January 11, 2001. The administration transition, divisional updates, and the RMA/FSA Joint Compliance Plan will be discussed. Attached is a meeting agenda.

A block of rooms have been reserved under the name, **USDA - Risk Management Agency** (**RMA**). The single/double rate is \$119.00 plus 14.5% tax. The Metro Bar and Grill is on-site for dining purposes. Please call the hotel directly to confirm your reservation as soon as possible.

| Hotel Information: | Marriott Metro Center           |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
|                    | 775 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, NW |
|                    | Washington, DC 20005            |
|                    | Phone: (202) 737-2200           |

Finally, I would like to invite everyone to join me for a few minutes after Wednesday's meeting in the hotel bar to have a chance to talk and socialize for perhaps a final time in this capacity to mark the transition.

If you have any questions please contact the meeting coordinator, Terry Martz at (202) 720-3135.

Attachment



C1400 Independence Ave., SW•Stop 0801•Washington, DC 20250-0801

The Risk Management Agency Administers and Oversees All Programs Authorized Under the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation RMA/Industry Meeting Marriott Metro Center 775 12<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC (202) 737-2200

### January 10 - 11, 2001

## Wednesday, January 10

| 8:30  | Registration                            |  |  |
|-------|---|--|--|
| 9:00  | Administrator's Agenda<br>Transition    | Ken Ackerman<br>Administrator                                      |  |
| 10:00 | Break                                   |  |  |
| 10:15 | Insurance Services Update               | Robert Prchal<br>Deputy Administrator                              |  |
| 11:00 | Risk Compliance Update                  | Garland Westmoreland<br>Deputy Administrator                       |  |
| 12:00 | Lunch                                   |  |  |
| 1:00  | Research and Development Update         | Tim Witt<br>Deputy Administrator                                   |  |
| 2:00  | Contracting Issues                      | Vondie O'Conner<br>Director, Contract Management                   |  |
| 3:00  | Break                                   | Director, Contract Management                                      |  |
| 3:15  | Civil Rights/Outreach Update            | Bill Buchanan<br>Director, Civil Rights                            |  |
| 4:00  | Congressional Affairs Update            | Pat Engel<br>Director, External Affairs                            |  |
| 4:30  | International Crop Insurance Activities | Barbara Leach<br>Deputy Administrator for<br>International Affairs |  |

# Thursday, January 11

| 8:30  | RMA/FSA Joint Compliance Plan                      | Jane McKinley<br>Larry Piatz             |
|-------|--|--|
| 10:00 | Break  |  |
| 10:15 | FY99 Premium Discount<br>FY2000/2001 Budget Update | Phyllis Honor<br>Chief Financial Officer |
| 12:00 | Adjourn  |  |