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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: All Reinsured Companies
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

FROM: Marian Jenkins, Acting Deputy Administrator /s/ Marian Jenkins 09/03/02
Insurance Services

SUBJECT: Issuance of the 2003 & 2004 Perennial Transitional Yield and Acreage Tolerance Listing

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) released the 2003 & 2004 Perennial Crop Transitional Yield and Acreage Tolerance Listing (Listing) today. This Listing provides transitional yields (T-Yields) for perennials listed for the 2003 crop year and for the 2004 crop year T-Yields for Arizona, California and Texas citrus crops and Hawaii macadamia nuts. Attached is an Update released with this Listing.

ACTION:

The Listing is available on the RMA Web Site at www.rma.usda.gov/data/#peren
For questions regarding the 2003 & 2004 Listing, please contact Sharon Hestvik, Insurance Services, at 202-720-6685.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This informational memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and the expiration date is December 31, 2002.

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UPDATE**2003 & 2004 Perennial Transitional Yield & Acreage Tolerance Listing**

Actual Production History (APH) Yield Substitution Tables (Yield Adjustment/YA) are provided for some Regional Offices (RO) beginning with this 2003 & 2004 Perennial T-Yield & Acreage Tolerance Listing. Not all RO's have the Yield Substitution Tables-they are available only if T-Yields were updated in the current and prior crop years.

For Example: 1) T-Yields updated in the 2002 crop year should use the "2002 T-Yield Substitution Table." 2) For 2001 and previous years, use the "2001 and Previous Year T-Yield Substitution Table." 3) If a Yield Substitution Table does not follow a State/by crop in the RO but a State, County, Variety or Type is New for 2003-use the T-Yield in this "2003 and 2004 Listing" for Yield Substitution.

Several Regional Offices perennial T-Yields have been removed from this Listing beginning with the 2003 crop year. Please refer to the county FCI-35 Coverage and Rate Actuarial Tables (see below by RO).

- **Billings RO:** No perennials

- **Davis RO:**

Three new expansion Counties added for grapes (0053) for 2003: Marin (041); Nevada (057); and Santa Cruz (087).

New varieties added to Crush Districts/Counties: Pinot Gris (098) to District 12; Viognier (099) to District 12 and 17; Petite Sirah (064) to District 2; Malbec (101) to District 7 and 11; Red Zinfandel (113) to District 10; Syrah/French Syrah-Shiraz (196) to District 6; Pinot Noir (067) added to District 11.

Grape T-Yield was removed beginning in 2003 for Centurian (022) in Crush District 13 & 14.

APH Yield Substitution Tables: "2002 T-Yield Substitution Table" and "2001 and Previous Year T-Yield Substitution Table" are available for the following California crops: Apples, Figs, Grapes, Table Grapes, Pears and Prunes.

- **Jackson RO:**

Please refer to the county FBI-35 Coverage and Rate Actuarial Tables for all grape T-yields in Arkansas and Mississippi.

- **Oklahoma City RO:** No changes.

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- **Raleigh RO:**

Please refer to the county FCI-35 Coverage and Rate Actuarial Tables for all cranberry T-yields in Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Rhode Island, and all grape T-yields in New York and Pennsylvania.

Four new expansion States for peaches were added: Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont.

New counties and T-yields were added for apples and peaches. New Type Codes added for all Apple counties in RO.

Blueberry T-Yields were updated for 2003, “2002 Yield Substitution Tables” available.

- **St. Paul RO:**

Please refer to the county FCI-35 Coverage and Rate Actuarial Tables for all apple and cranberry T-yields in Wisconsin.

- **Springfield RO:**

Grape T-yields were updated with National Agricultural Statistics Service State data for the period 1991 – 2000. In addition, for Michigan grapes, differentiation based on age of vine has been eliminated. This is a result of research in Michigan that has shown that vines are capable of full cropping by the third growing season with no negative impact on vine size and future productivity of the vines. For Ohio grapes, the T-yields have been updated

For Michigan Grapes and Ohio Grapes for 2002 and previous T-yields, refer to the “2002 T-Yield Substitution Table.”

- **Spokane RO:** See the County Actuarial Table-FCI-33 Legal Descriptor Rules Page.

- **Topeka RO:**

Please refer to the county FCI-35 Coverage and Rate Actuarial Tables for all Grape T-yields in Missouri.

- **Valdosta RO:**

New peach varieties added: China Pearl, Laurol, Ryansun, Snow Giant, Sugar Lady, Sugar May, White Lady and Sure Prince (See Listing for Season/Chilling Hours).