

United States of Agriculture Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services Risk Management Agency

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TO: All Reinsured Companies

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: Revenue Assurance (RA) for the 2002 Crop Year

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) has placed on the RMA Web Site at http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/2002policy.html the following RA policies and related documents:

- 1. Revenue Assurance Insurance Policy Basic Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 2. Revenue Assurance Corn and Soybean Crop Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 3. Revenue Assurance Canola and Rapeseed Crop Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 4. Revenue Assurance Feed Barley Crop Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 5 Revenue Assurance Sunflower Crop Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 6. Revenue Assurance Wheat Crop Provisions (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 7. Revenue Assurance Underwriting Rules Corn, Soybeans, Spring Wheat, Winter Wheat, Feed Barley, Sunflower and Canola (Ed. 08-28-01);
- 8. Revenue Assurance Common Questions and Answers (Ed. 08-28-01); and
- 9. Revenue Assurance Description of Coverage and Side-by-Side Comparison with Competing Revenue Products (Ed. 08-28-01)

The above documents are effective for the 2002 crop year for crops with contract change dates of November 30, 2001 and December 31, 2001.

The RA documents were revised to: 1) add a definition of limited resource farmer to the RA policy; 2) change the Basic Provisions to allow either basic or optional units, based on production reports, when the producer elects enterprise or whole farm units but at acreage report time does not qualify for the enterprise or whole farm unit; 3) allow 80 and 85 percent coverage for optional and basic units where MPCI allows 80 and 85 percent coverage for optional and basic units; 4) change the numbering



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All Programs Authorized Under the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation The Risk Management Agency Administers and Oversees format in section 15 of the Basic Provisions; 5) change the policy to state coverage levels must be in 5 percentage point increments; 6) change the procedure for setting projected harvest prices for corn and soybeans in Arkansas so that prices can be provided before the sales closing date; 7) change the definition of projected harvest price to specify that the projected price is used to calculate both expected per-acre revenue and premium; 8) eliminate the RA Disclosure Statement because Revenue Assurance is now common and widely understood; 9) change the prevented planting section of the Basic Provisions to clarify that a written agreement may be used to provide the premium rate if the actuarial documents do not provide for such; 10) change the RA documents to allow preliminary indemnity payments in certain situations; 11) change the title of the claims section in the crop provisions to "Final Settlement of Claim"; and 12) change the cancellation and termination dates to February 28 for corn and soybeans in Arkansas.

DISPOSAL:

This informational memorandum is for the purposes of transmitting/updating information and the expiration date is December 31, 2001.