



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

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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: R&D-02-046

TO: All Reinsured Companies
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

FROM: Tim B. Witt /s/ *Tim B. Witt*
Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: Issuance of Slipsheets FCIC-18010-02 to Update the FCIC 18010 Crop Insurance Handbook for the 2003 Crop Year

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) revised the 2002 FCIC 18010 Crop Insurance Handbook (CIH) for the 2003 crop year via the FCIC 18010-01 slipsheets dated June 2002 and FCIC 18010-02 slipsheets dated November, 2002. Changes made in Exhibit 15 regarding combining and dividing basic and optional units will be effective for 2003 **spring crops** with a sales closing date of January 31, 2003 and thereafter.. Exhibit 17 is reserved until final rules for determining the area devoted to cotton for skip-row planted acreage are published in Federal Register by the Farm Service Agency (FSA). RMA will update this Exhibit at that time.

ACTION:

The complete 2003 CIH (FCIC 18010-02), with slipsheets incorporated, is available on the RMA Web Site at <http://www.rma.usda.gov/data/directives.html#18000>. Printed or electronic copies of the CIH may be obtained from the Risk Management Agency by contacting Steve Vollrath at 816-926-7965 or Steve.Vollrath@rm.fcic.usda.gov.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This Informational Memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and the disposal date is June 30, 2003.



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