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Risk Management Agency

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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: R&D-05-040

TO: All Reinsured Companies

FROM: Tim B. Witt /s/Tim B. Witt

Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: 2005 Information Technology Managers' Meeting

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) will host an Information Technology Managers' Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, on October 19-20, 2005. The meeting will be held at the USDA Building at 6501 Beacon Drive.

The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 19, 2005, and adjourn by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 20, 2005. A final agenda will be provided to registered participants at a later date. Participants from RMA will include representatives from Research and Evaluation and Product Development Divisions, Program Automation Branch, RMA's Chief Information Officer and the Center for Agribusiness Excellence.

The meeting is being coordinated by Velerie Eddleman from the Training Center. All participants are requested to register by September 22, 2005, with the enclosed registration form. A block of rooms have been reserved at a special rate of \$98.00 at the Sheraton Suites Hotel, 700 West 47TH Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Please contact the hotel directly at (888) 627-4400 to make your reservation by September 26, 2005. Ask to be included in the "RMA Block" to receive the conference rate. Any questions concerning registration or room reservations should be addressed to the meeting coordinator at (816) 926-7449. Please fax the meeting registration form to (816) 926-1825 or e-mail to Velerie Eddleman (velerie.eddleman@kcc.usda.gov). Enclosed is an information sheet on the hotel and local transportation.

We will be hosting the Electronic Written Agreement (eWA) Project requirements session, Tuesday, October 18, 2005, at the USDA Beacon building, prior to the IT Managers Meeting. The requirements session will begin at 10:00 a.m. for the IT requirements and the accounting requirements session at 3:00 pm. A registration form is enclosed for the requirements session. If you plan to attend the CIS and IT Managers meetings the room reservations are in the same hotel.

If you have suggested agenda topics or any questions concerning this meeting, please contact Seavey Anthony, Chief, Program Automation Branch, at (816) 926-3865 or by e-mail to (seavey.anthony@rma.usda.gov) by October 7, 2005.



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