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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: R&D-05-010

TO: All Reinsured Companies
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
All Other Interested Parties

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Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: Clarification of the Sweetpotato New Pilot Program Insurance
Underwriting Guidelines

The Sweetpotato New Pilot Program Insurance Underwriting Guidelines for the 2005 crop year have been clarified and slip-sheets to the guide are being provided on the RMA website.

Section 3C(1)(b) has been clarified and an example provided of the method to be used in calculating a transitional yield (*T*-yield) when fewer than four years of actual yields are available on any basic unit. *T*-yields are to be computed on a policy basis using all of a producer's available actual yields.

The language in Section 3K has been clarified to indicate that the *T*-yield computed in Section 3C(1)(b) would be used for the purposes of yield adjustment.

The Sweetpotato New Pilot Program Insurance Underwriting Guidelines are located at:
<http://www.rma.usda.gov/pilots/2005pilot.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Alderson, Research and Evaluation Division, at (816) 926-3270.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This informational memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and the expiration date is November 30, 2005.



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