

#### **United States Department of Agriculture**

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services Risk Management Agency

## BULLETIN NO.: MGR-00-011

TO:	All Reinsured Companies All Risk Management Agency Offices						
FROM:	Kenneth D. Ackerman Administrator	/s/ Ken Ackerman	3-23-00				
SUBJECT:	Estimated 2000 Crop Year Premium Discount						

# **BACKGROUND**:

The estimated premium discount for the 2000 crop year as provided in the Agricultural Rural Development Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2000, was published in Manager's Bulletin MGR-99-042, issued October 27, 1999. The bulletin also provided that after the March 15, 2000, sales closing date, the discount percentage would be re-examined based on special data reports submitted by the reinsured companies to determine if any adjustments are needed prior to the June 30, 2000, billing date.

# ACTION:

By May 1, 2000, reinsured companies must provide data containing the current estimate of expected premiums for the 2000 crop year in comparison to 1999 policies sold, formatted in accordance with the attached record descriptor. Questions specific to the data format and submission should be directed to Seavey Anthony at (816) 926-3865 or Denise Hoffmann at (816) 926-7910.

The Risk Management Agency will consolidate the estimates to evaluate prior assumptions regarding this premium discount. Should a change be needed in the premium discount, RMA will notify companies accordingly.

Attachment



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#### Exhibit 85 (Estimated Premium Record Descriptor) Format/Edit

Field No.	Field Name	Begin Pos	Size	Picture	Field Edits
<u>1</u>	Record Type	<u>1</u>	$\frac{\frac{2}{2}}{\frac{2}{3}}$ $\frac{\frac{3}{7}}{\frac{7}{4}}$	<u>9(02)</u>	Required. Must be 85.
$\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{3}{4}}$	Reporting Organization	$\frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{5}{7}}$	<u>2</u>	<u>X(02)</u>	Required. Edit with RO/Company table.
<u>3</u>	Location State	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9(02)</u>	Required. Edit with FIPS State table.
<u>4</u>	<u>Company</u>		<u>3</u>	<u>9(03)</u>	For Reinsured edit with company table.
<u>5</u>	Policy Number	<u>10</u>	7	<u>9(07)</u>	Required. Must be $>$ zeros.
<u>6</u>	Crop Year	<u>17</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9(04)</u>	Required.
					Must be 1999 unless the policy was new in
					the 2000 crop year.
7	Crop Code	<u>21</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9(04)</u>	Required; Edit with ADM2.
<u>8</u>	Insurance Plan Code	<u>25</u>	$\frac{4}{2}$ $\frac{3}{2}$	<u>9(02)</u>	Required; Edit with ADM2.
<u>7</u> <u>8</u> <u>9</u>	Location County	<u>27</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9(03)</u>	Required; Edit with FIPS County Table.
<u>10</u>	<u>Filler</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>X(11)</u>	Must be Spaces.
<u>11</u>	Coverage Flag	<u>41</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>X(01)</u>	Required; Must be:
					<u>C = Catastrophic "CAT" Coverage</u>
					L = Limited Coverage
					<u>A = Additional Coverage</u>
					For Revenue Assurance, must be "A".
					For AGR, must be "L".
					For CRC and GRIP, must be "L" or "A".
<u>12</u>	Type 85 Key Reserve	<u>42</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>X(34)</u>	Space Reserved for Additional key data
					required in the future or for other record
					types. Must be spaces or blanks.
<u>13</u>	Record Number	<u>76</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9(03)</u>	<u>Must be &gt; zero and unique within a Crop</u>
					Policy (fields 2 thru 9) and field 11 for
					California grapes. Otherwise, zero fill.
14	<u>Id Type</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9(01)</u>	Required. Must be the ID Type as submitted
					through DAS on the policy indicated in
					fields 2-11 above. Valid values are as
					follows:
					$\underline{1} = SSN,$
					2 = EIN,
					3 = Other,
					4 = EIN Applied For,
					5 = BIA Number.
					If Crop Year = $1999$ , Id Type = 4 is not
					valid.

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Field Field Name Begin Size Picture Field Edits No. Pos 15 Id Number 80 9 9(09) Required; must be the ID Number as submitted through DAS on the policy indicated in fiedls 2-11 above. Valid values are as follows: Id Type Id Number Social Security Number 1 2 EIN Number (Numeric, > zero) 5 Valid Bureau of Indian Affairs No. 16 Entity Type 89 X(01) Required; Must be the Entity Type as 1 submitted through DAS for the policy indicated in fields 2-11 above. Valid values are as follows: I = Individual C = CorporationE = Religious, Charitable, Educational,Associations, Clubs, or Other Tax-Exempt Organizations G = Public Entities, State or Local Government J = Co-Owner/Joint Operators M = Tobacco Marketing Card (Valid for Cat Coverage Only.) N = Enterprise $\underline{P} = Partnership}$ T = TrustsD = EstatesO = Other (Non-US Citizens) B = Bureau of Indian Affairs U = Undivided Interests (Valid for Cat Coverage Only.) 17 Crop Year 2000 Flag 90 X(01) Required. Must be one of the following: 1 1 = Policy cancelled in 2000 crop year 2 = Policy continued in 2000 crop year 3 = Policy new in 2000 crop year Values of 1 or 2 are only valid if the Crop Year = 1999. A value of 3 is required if the Crop Year = 2000

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Field No.	Field Name	Begin Pos	Size	Picture	Field Edits
<u>18</u>	Insurance Plan Code - Cro Year 2000	<u>p 91</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9(02)</u>	<u>Required. Must be one of the following:</u> <u>- If Crop Year Flag = 1, zero fill</u> <u>- If Crop Year Flag = 2 or 3, must be the</u> <u>Insurance Plan Code as submitted through</u>
<u>19</u>	Coverage Flag 2000	<u>93</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>X(01)</u>	DAS for the 2000 Crop Year Policy. If Crop Year Flag = 3, must be equal to Insurance Plan Code (field 8). Values are edited with ADM2. Required . Acceptable values are as follows: If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1, leave blank
					<ul> <li>If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1, leave blank</li> <li>If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 2 or 3, must be the Coverage Flag submitted through DAS for the 2000 Crop Year policy.</li> <li>If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, must be equal to</li> </ul>
					$\frac{\text{Coverage Flag (field 11).}}{\text{Valid values are as follows:}}$ $\frac{\text{C} = \text{Catastrophic "CAT" Coverage}}{\text{L} = \text{Limited Coverage}}$ $A = \text{Additional Coverage}$
					For Revenue Assurance, must be "A". For AGR, must be "L". For CRC and GRIP, must be "L" or "A".

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20	<u>Coverage Level Percent</u> - <u>Crop Year 2000</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9(01)V9(04)</u>	Required. Acceptable values are as follows:- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1, zero fill If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 2 or 3, must bethe coverage level on the policy as submittedthrough DAS for the 2000 Crop Year. Validvalues are as follows:- Coverage Flag = C : must be 0.50 for allcrops except GRP Forage Production(0033/12) and Rangeland (0048/12), inwhich case it must be 0.65 2000 crop year Florida Citrus : 0.50,0.55, 0.60, 0.65, 0.70, 0.75, 0.80, or 0.85- Avocados(Ins Plan 46), Ventura County(111) California (06) : 0.50, 0.65, or 0.75- Avocados(Ins Plan 46), Californiaexpansion counties : 0.50, 0.55, 0.60, 0.65,0.70, or 0.75- Ins Plan 12 & 73 : 0.70, 0.75, 0.80, 0.85,or 0.90- IP (Ins Plan 45) : 0.50, 0.55, 0.60, 0.65,0.70, or 0.75- RA (Ins Plan 25) : Must be >= 0.650 and<= 0.750

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Field No.	Field Name	Begin Pos	Size	Picture	Field Edits
21	Price Election - Crop Year 2000	<u>99</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9(04)V9(04)</u>	Required. Acceptable values are as follows:         - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1, zero fill.         - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 2 or 3, must be         the price election on the policy as submitted         through DAS for the 2000 CropYear. Valid         values are as follows:         - Coverage Flag 2000 = C : 0.6000         - Insurance Plan Codes 12, 46, 50, and 73 :         must be 1.0000         - Certified Seed Potatoes :         Option CS = 1.0000         Option CT = 3.0000         - Insurance Plan Code 90 :         Malting Barley Option A -         Malting Barley Option A = 0.4000         - Or 1.2500         Malting Barley Option B <= 2.0000

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22	<u>Coverage Level Percent -</u> <u>Crop Year 1999</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9(01)V9(04)</u>	Required. Acceptable values are as follows:- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, zero fill- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1 or 2, must bethe price election on the policy as submittedthrough DAS for the 1999 CropYear. Validvalues are as follows:- Coverage Flag = C, must be 0.50 for allcrops except GRP Forage production andRangeland, in which case it must be0.65- 1999 Crop Year Florida Citrus : 0.50,0.55, 0.60, 0.65, 0.70, 0.75, 0.80, or 0.85- Avocadoes : 0.50, 0.65, or 0.75- Ins Plan 12 & 73 : 0.70, 0.75, 0.80, 0.85,or 0.90- IP (Ins Plan 45) : 0.50, 0.55, 0.60, 0.65,0.70, or 0.75- RA (Ins Plan 25) : must be >= 0.650 and<= 0.750

There is no valid Coverage Level below 0.50

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<u>23</u>	Price Election - Crop Year 1999	<u>112</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9(04)V9(04)</u>	Required. Acceptable values are as follows:- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, zero fill If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1 or 2, must bethe price election on the policy as submittedthrough DAS for the 1999 CropYear. Validvalues are as follows:- Coverage Flag = C : 0.55- Insurance Plan Codes 12, 46, 50, and 73 :must be 1.0000- Certified Seed Potatoes :Option CS = 1.0000Option CT = 3.0000- Insurance Plan Code 90 :Malting Barley Option A -Malting Barley Option B <= 2.0000
<u>24</u>	<u>Reported Acres - Crop Yea</u> <u>1999</u>	<u>ar 120</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9(06)V9(02)</u>	<ul> <li>place will always be 0.</li> <li>- All other Plans/Crops, edited against the ADM</li> <li>Required. Acceptable values are as follows:</li> <li>- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, zero fill.</li> <li>- If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1 or 2, must be the Reported Acres on the policy as submitted through DAS for the 1999 Crop</li> <li>Year. Valid values are as follows:</li> <li>- Florida Fruit Trees : zero fill</li> <li>- Peanuts : the number of acres must be prorated and rounded to the nearest hundredth</li> <li>- Raisins : number of tons to the nearest hundredth</li> </ul>

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Field Field Name Begin Size Picture **Field Edits** No. Pos 25 Liability - Crop Year 1999 <u>9(09)</u> Required. Acceptable values are as follows: 128 <u>9</u> - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, zero fill - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1 or 2, must be the Liability as submitted through DAS for the 1999 Crop Year policy. Required. Acceptable values are as follows: <u>26</u> Total Premium - Crop Year 137 8 9(08) - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 3, zero fill 1999 - If Crop Year 2000 Flag = 1 or 2, must be the Total Premium as submitted through DAS for the 1999 Crop Year policy. <u>27</u> Filler <u>145</u> <u>206</u> <u>X(206)</u> Must be spaces