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

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SUBJECT: Written Agreements – 2004 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND:

Manager's Bulletin MGR-02-001 stated that the Risk Management Agency (RMA) would issue underwriting criteria for the review and approval of written agreement requests to be effective for the 2003 and subsequent crop years. Approval of these criteria has been unavoidably delayed.

Written agreement requests for the 2004 crop year have already been received in some RMA Regional Offices. Increased numbers are expected as deadlines draw near for requests for written agreements on fall crops. To assure that producers, insurance providers, and RMA are able to make responsible risk management decisions, it has been decided to continue using current written agreement criteria until the revised criteria is approved by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Board of Directors.

ACTION:

Until further notice, information relating to written agreements found in the 2004 Crop Insurance Handbook, the 2001 Written Agreement Handbook, and MGR-02-001 or successor documents shall provide the experience criteria and procedures to be used in requesting, reviewing, and approving or rejecting written agreements. The Crop Insurance Handbook will control if conflicts exist between it and the Written Agreement Handbook.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This bulletin is for the purpose of transmitting information and will remain in effect until a new Written Agreement Handbook is issued.



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