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Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services Risk Management Agency

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TO: All Reinsured Companies All Risk Management Field Offices All Other Interested Parties
FROM: Phyllis W. Honor /s/ Phyllis W. Honor 12-20-01 Acting Administrator
SUBJECT: Varietal Listing Correction for Plums

ISSUE:

Eight plum varieties were placed in the wrong varietal grouping on the county actuarial documents and were filed incorrectly for the 2002 crop year.

BACKGROUND:

The insurance coverage for plums listed in the Special Provisions of Insurance is divided into three varietal groups: Early, Mid, and Late Season. Eight varieties that were classified as Late Season for the 2001 crop year were mistakenly placed under the wrong grouping (Mid Season) for the 2002 crop year. The wrong classification adversely impacts growers using transitional yields (t-yields) and may negatively impact claims.

ACTION:

Effective with the 2002 Crop Year, the following varieties will be returned to their original classification in the Late Season varietal group: Angeleno, Autumn Beaut, Autumn Giant, Betty Anne, Casselman, Freedom, French Improved Prune, and French Prune. Insurance providers are to distribute the attached Revised Plum Listing to their policyholders to identify the correct classification placement of each variety.

DISPOSAL DATE:

The disposal date of this bulletin is December 31, 2002.



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