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believe are relevant to any matter pertinent to the peanut poundage quota program operated pursuant to the provisions of part 729 of this title and provisions of this part. Upon request, any person required by this part to keep records shall make available for examination such books, papers, records, accounts, correspondence, contracts, documents, and memoranda as are under such person's control.

#### §1446.803 Retention of records.

Persons required to maintain records under this part shall maintain all records for a period of three years following the end of the marketing year in which the peanuts were produced. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, records relating to contract additional peanuts for which penalties or liquidated damages have been assessed, shall be retained for 6 years following the date the assessment was made or until the conclusion of the assessment action, whichever is later and records shall be kept for such longer periods of time as may be requested in writing by CCC.

#### § 1446.804 Information confidential.

All data requested and obtained by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of this part shall be kept confidential by all employees of USDA and of the marketing association. Such data shall be released only at the discretion of the Executive Vice President, CCC, and then only to the extent that such release is not prohibited by law

# §1446.805 Penalty for failure to keep records and make reports.

Any person, who fails to make any report or keep any record as required under this part or who falsifies any information on any such report or record shall be subject to a penalty in accordance with §1446.703 of this part.

#### §1446.806 Fraud by handler.

Any misrepresentation made or effectively made by a handler within or without the records or reports maintained in connection with this part shall be subject to a penalty under this part and such penalty shall be in addition to any other remedies available by

law for such misrepresentation (including, but not limited to, criminal prosecution). In addition, the handler and any individual or other person involved with such misrepresentation, including employees of the handler, shall be liable to CCC for all costs which CCC incurs as a result of such misrepresentation, together with interest at the per annum rate which the Treasurer of the United States charged CCC on the date the misrepresentation was made.

# § 1446.807 Paperwork Reduction Act assigned numbers.

The information collection requirements contained in these regulations (7 CFR part 1446) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB control numbers 0560–0006, 0560–0014 and 0560–0133.

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## PART 1447—2000 PEANUT MAR-KETING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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# **Subpart A—General Provisions**

#### §1447.101 Applicability.

This part sets out provisions related to the 2000 crop of peanuts as authorized and in accordance with the applicable provisions of Public Law 106-224, the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (the 2000 Act). Under section 204(a) of the 2000 Act, the Secretary of Agriculture is required to make certain

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payments available to eligible producers of 2000-crop quota and additional peanuts.

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#### §1447.102 Administration.

- (a) Responsibility. The Farm Service Agency (FSA), will administer this part under the general direction and supervision of the Administrator, FSA, or the Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), as applicable. In the field, these regulations shall be carried out by State and county Farm Service Agency committees
- (b) Limitation of authority. A State or county committee or its employees or representatives, or any marketing association or its employees or representatives, may not modify or waive any of the provisions of this part or any amendment or supplement to it.
- (c) Supervisory authority. Delegation of authority contained in this part shall not preclude the Administrator, FSA, the Executive Vice President, CCC, or a designee of such person from determining any questions arising under the regulations or from reversing or modifying any determinations made pursuant to such delegation.

### §1447.103 Definitions.

For purposes of this part, the definitions and provisions of parts 718, 719, 729, 780, 790, 791, 793, 1402, 1403, 1407, 1421, 1422, 1446 and 1498 of this title are incorporated and shall apply except where the context or subject matter or provisions of the regulations in this part otherwise requires or provides. References contained in this subpart to other parts of this chapter or title include any subsequent amendments to those referenced parts. Unless the context indicates otherwise, any reference to the Executive Vice President of CCC shall also be read to mean any persons designated by the Executive Vice President. The definitions in this section shall be applicable for all purposes of administering the 1999 Peanut Marketing Assistance Program. Unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires, the following words and phrases as used in this part and in all related instructions and documents shall have the following meanings:

CCC means the Commodity Credit Corporation, an agency and instrumentality of the United States within the United States Department of Agriculture.

County committee means the local FSA county committee.

Crop year means the calendar year in which a crop is planted.

Deputy Administrator means the Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, Farm Service Agency (FSA), or a designee.

FSA means the Farm Service Agency, United States Department of Agriculture.

Planted acres means land in which seed has been placed, appropriate for the crop and planting method, at a correct depth, into a seedbed that has been properly prepared for the planting method and production practice normal to the area as determined by the county committee.

*Producer* means a producer as defined in part 718 of this title.

Secretary means the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Total production means, for purposes of calculating assistance payments under this part, the total production eligible for payment, calculated as the sum of acres planted times the established farm yield or highest actual yield for the current crop year or the previous 3 crop years, whichever is greater.

United States means all 50 States of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Guam

USDA means the United States Department of Agriculture.

### §1447.104 Producer eligibility.

- (a) Producers of quota and/or additional peanuts in the United States will be eligible to receive benefits under this part provided their share in the planted acreage of such peanuts is greater than zero.
- (b) Payments may be made to an eligible producer who is now deceased or is a dissolved entity if a representative who currently has authority to enter into a contract for the producer signs