

under instructions of the Deputy Administrator. Changes in the organization and control of entities or production units will be considered to be changes in producers for crop history purposes. Likewise, in joint ventures, the entity will be considered to be the producer, not the individual members, and representational entities, such as a trust, will be considered different producers than the beneficiaries of the entity, except as otherwise allowed by the Deputy Administrator. The provisions of this subsection shall be used for qualifying purposes only for multi-year benefits and shall not, for qualified recipients, affect other restrictions that limit the maximum payment amount that may be received under this program.

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### § 1478.1 Applicability.

This part sets forth the terms and conditions applicable to the 1999 Crop Disaster Program. Under section 801 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and

Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 2000 ("2000 Act") (Public Law 106-78, 113 Stat. 1135), and the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2000 (Public Law 106-113, 113 Stat. 1501), the Secretary of Agriculture will make disaster payments available to certain producers who have incurred losses in quantity or quality of their crops due to disasters. Producers will be able to receive benefits under this part for losses to eligible 1999 crops as determined by the Secretary. Producers cannot receive compensation under this part and another part for the same loss except as provided for in §1478.6, and except as allowed by the Deputy Administrator who shall resolve any such conflicts.

### § 1478.2 Administration.

(a) The program will be administered under the general supervision of the Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), and shall be carried out in the field by State and county Farm Service Agency (FSA) committees.

(b) State and county FSA committees and representatives do not have the authority to modify or waive any of the provisions of this part.

(c) The State FSA committee shall take any action required by this part that has not been taken by a county FSA committee. The State FSA committee shall also:

(1) Correct or require a county FSA committee to correct any action taken by such county FSA committee that is not in accordance with this part; and

(2) Require a county FSA committee to withhold taking or reverse any action that is not in accordance with this part.

(d) No delegation in this part to a State or county FSA committee shall prevent the Deputy Administrator from determining any question arising under the program or from reversing or modifying any determination made by a State or county FSA committee.

(e) The Deputy Administrator may authorize the State and county committees to waive or modify deadlines or other program requirements in cases where lateness or failure to meet such other requirements does not adversely affect the operation of the program or