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2008 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

Sugar Beets

Michigan Ohio

Crop Insured
The crop insured will be sugar beets grown under a contract with a processor for processing as sugar.

Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions
Earthquake
Failure of irrigation water supply, if applicable, due to an unavoidable cause of loss occurring within the insurance period
Fire
Insects*
Plant disease*
Volcanic eruption
Wildlife

All specified causes of loss must be due to a naturally occurring event.
*But not damage due to insufficient or improper applicant of pest or disease control measures.

Insurance Period
Insurance attaches when the sugar beets are planted and ends the earliest of: (1) total destruction of the sugar beets, (2) harvest of the sugar beets on the unit, (3) final adjustment of a loss, (4) date processor contract is fulfilled, or (5) November 15 (Michigan) and November 25 (Ohio).

Reporting Requirements
Acreage Report—You must report to your insurance provider all acreage of the insured crop in the county in which you have a share, the practice, and your share at the time of planting.

Important Dates

Sales Closing..March 15
Final Planting..May 20
Acreage Report ....July 15
Cancellation..March 15

Definitions

Production Guarantees - Number of tons guaranteed per acre, determined by multiplying your average yield per acre times the coverage level percentage you elect. Yields are based on actual production history (APH) records reported to your insurance provider.

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies
The sugar beet policy guarantees a certain amount of production, depending on the level of coverage selected. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown below. For example, if you select the 75-percent coverage level, the premium subsidy is 55 percent and your premium share is 45 percent of the base premium.

Item	Percent					
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

The total cost for CAT coverage will be an administrative fee of $100 per crop per county, regardless of the acreage. All other coverage levels require a $30.00 administrative fee.

Price Elections
Price at which you are compensated per ton in the event of a loss based on the percentage of the established price you have selected. Price election percentage choices for this crop year are 55 percent to 100 percent of the price shown below.

Established Price:
$36.00 per ton

This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent.

Replant Provisions

A replanting payment is available if we determine it is practical to replant on a unit and our appraisal does not exceed 90 percent of your final stage guarantee, and you replant at least 20 acres or 20 percent of the unit. The replanting payment will be the lesser of 10 percent of the final stage guarantee or one ton times your price election, multiplied by your share. **Replant payments are not available on the catastrophic risk protection endorsement.**

Late and Prevented Planting

These provisions provide protection on eligible acreage that is planted late or that cannot be planted by the final planting date or within the 25-day late-planting period. Please consult your crop insurance provider for further details.

Loss Example

A loss occurs when crop production falls below the guaranteed tonnage amount as a result of damage from a covered cause of loss. This example assumes 65 percent coverage level and a 100-percent price election of $36.00 and an average yield of 30 tons per acre with .667 share.

APH yield x coverage level x unit acres - production x price election x share

30	Tons APH yield
x .65	Coverage level
19.5	Tons per acre guarantee
x 100	Acres
1,950	Tons unit guarantee
- 1,500	Tons (*production to count)
450	Tons loss
x $36.00	Price election
$16,200	Unit indemnity
x .667	Share
$10,805	**Final indemnity**

*Average percentage of sugar will be taken into account when computing production to count.

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