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2005 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

Onions Georgia

Crop Insured

The crop insured will be all non-storage type onions of the Bermuda, Granex or Grano variety grown within the listed counties for which a premium rate is provided on the actuarial table

- in which you have a share
- that are planted for harvest as non-storage type onions
- that are not* interplanted with another crop, unless the crop is a windbreak crop and the windbreak crop is destroyed within 70 days after completion of seeding or transplanting, or
- that are not* planted into an established grass or legume.

*Unless allowed by the special provisions or by written agreement (see your insurance agent).

Counties Available

Appling	Bacon	Bulloch	Candler
Dodge	Emanuel	Evans	Irwin
Jeff Davis	Jenkins	Laurens	Long
Montgomery	Pierce	Screven	Seminole
Tattnall	Telfair	Tift	Toombs
Treutlen	Wayne	Wheeler	Worth

Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions
 Earthquake
 Failure of irrigation water supply¹
 Fire
 Insects²
 Insufficient chilling hours
 Plant disease³
 Volcanic eruption
 Wildlife⁴

¹If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period. ²But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of pest control measures. ³But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of disease control measures. ⁴Unless control measures have not been taken.

Insurance Period

Insurance attaches when the crop is planted on or before the final planting date and ends the earliest of:

- total destruction of the onion crop
- removal of the onions from the field
- fourteen days after lifting or digging
- final adjustment of a loss
- abandonment of the crop, or
- June 1 of the crop year.

Reporting Requirements

Acreeage Report—An acreeage report is due to your insurance agent by the acreeage reporting date to include all acreeage (insurable and uninsurable) in the county in which you have a share.

Notice of Loss— (1) Protect the crop from further damage by providing sufficient care; (2) Notify your agent within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage (but not later than 15 days after the end of the insurance period); and (3) Leave representative samples intact for each field of the damaged unit.

Important Dates

Sales Closing.....	August 31
Final Planting.....	October 20
<i>(For Fall Direct Seeded Irrigated)</i>	
Final Planting.....	February 1
<i>(For Winter Transplanted Irrigated)</i>	
Acreeage Report Due.....	February 1
<i>(For Fall Direct Seeded Irrigated)</i>	
Acreeage Report Due.....	March 1
<i>(For Winter Transplanted Irrigated)</i>	
Billing Date....	July 1
Cancellation/Termination.....	August 31

Definitions

Production Guarantee—

- First stage of production guarantee—35 percent of the final stage production guarantee for direct seeded storage and non-storage onions and 45 percent of the final stage production guarantee for transplanted storage and non-storage onions, unless otherwise specified in the special provisions (see your insurance agent).
- Second stage of production guarantee—70 percent of the final stage production guarantee for direct seeded storage onions and 60 percent of the final stage production guarantee for transplanted storage onions and all non-storage onions, unless otherwise specified in the special provisions (see your insurance agent).
- Final stage of production guarantee—the quantity of onions (in hundredweight) determined by multiplying the approved yield per acre by the coverage level percentage elected.

Cancellation/Termination—The date which this contract may be canceled or terminated by either you or us by giving written notice on or before August 31.

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Coverage level options range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield. For example, an average yield of 150 cwt per acre would result in a guarantee of 97.5 cwt per acre at the 65-percent coverage level. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you select the 65-percent coverage level, your premium share would be 41 percent of the base premium:

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

Catastrophic (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$100 per county, regardless of the acreage.

Replant Provisions

(Not available under catastrophic coverage)

A replanting payment is allowed if the crop is damaged by an insurable cause to the extent that the remaining stand will not produce at least 90 percent of your final stage production guarantee for the acreage and it is practical to replant.

Loss Example

This example is based on 65-percent coverage level, 100-percent price election, and average yield of 150 cwt per acre.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 150 \text{ cwt/acre average yield} \\
 \times .65 \text{ coverage level} \\
 \hline
 97.50 \text{ cwt/acre guarantee} \\
 - 50.00 \text{ cwt/acre produced} \\
 \hline
 47.50 \text{ cwt/acre loss} \\
 \times \$24.35 \text{ price} \\
 \hline
 \$1,156.63 \text{ Indemnity per acre}
 \end{array}$$

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