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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-15-053

TO: All Approved Insurance Providers
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
All Other Interested Parties

FROM: Tim B. Witt /s/ *Tim B. Witt*
Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: Sprinkler Irrigated Rice Endorsement - 2016 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND:

The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Board of Directors approved the Sprinkler Irrigated Rice (SIR) Endorsement in June, 2014. The SIR Endorsement is a privately developed product that was approved under section 508(h) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act. The SIR Endorsement to the current reinsured rice policy will allow rice grown using sprinkler irrigation to be insurable under certain terms and conditions. The SIR Endorsement will be available in Arkansas, Missouri, Tennessee, and Texas.

ACTION:

The SIR Endorsement and applicable procedures will be available by close of business today on the RMA Web site at: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/2016policy.html>.

Interested producers should contact a crop insurance agent for further information. A list of agents can be found on the RMA Web site at: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html>.

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2015