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Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services
Risk Management Agency

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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: R&D-99-055

TO: All Reinsured Companies
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
Other Interested Parties

FROM: Tim B. Witt /s/ Denise Hoffmann (for)
Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: Pilot California Fresh Vegetable Program Participation

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) is pursuing development of a pilot crop insurance program for California fresh vegetables including but not limited to broccoli, cauliflower, celery, and lettuce. The Economic Research Service has conducted feasibility studies for these crops. A copy of these studies may be requested through RMA's Research and Evaluation Division (RED) at (816) 926-6343 or by visiting our web site at <http://www.act/pilots/feasible.html>.

RMA is inviting insurance providers and others interested in a Pilot California Fresh Vegetable Insurance Program to participate in developing this pilot program.

ACTION:

Organizations desiring to participate in RMA's California fresh vegetable project may do so by designating a representative of their organization. Please submit your representative's name and contact information to Mike O'Connell, Acting Director, RED, by November 22, 1999.



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DISPOSAL:

The purpose of this Informational Memorandum is to transmit information; the expiration date is December 31, 1999.