



United States Department of Agriculture
Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services
Risk Management Agency

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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: R&D-01-023

TO: Livestock Producer Groups
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
All Reinsured Companies

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

SUBJECT: Request for Input from Livestock Producer Groups

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) intends to obtain input from producer groups before entering into contracts for research and development to increase participation in areas or for commodities that may be underserved by the Federal crop insurance program. RMA believes this input is critical in determining the need and direction of research and potential development.

ACTION:

RMA requests input from groups or individuals representing livestock producers so that their needs, concerns, and other input may be considered before it enters into a contract for the research and possible development of risk management strategies for livestock. Included under livestock for this initiative are cattle, sheep, swine, goats, and poultry. Of particular interest is any input that would help RMA determine producers' interest in such risk management strategies, as well as specific suggestions and concerns regarding the structure, scope, and limitations of such strategies.



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Please provide your input to Maureen Flood by June 15, 2001, to assure its consideration. Ms. Flood may be reached by telephone at (816) 926-3761, by fax at (816) 926-7343, by e-mail at AMargaret_Flood@rm.fcic.usda.gov,@ or at the following postal address:

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Listed on the attachment are organizations that are being provided this Memorandum. Anyone who is aware of other persons or organizations representing livestock producers is encouraged to provide a copy of this Informational Memorandum to them and/or to advise Ms. Flood how to contact them.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This Informational Memorandum is effective until the disposal date, July 31, 2001.

Attachment

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National Organizations:

American Angora Goat Breeders Assn.
American Angus Association
American Boer Goat Association
American Dairy Association
American Dairy Goat Association
American Hampshire Sheep Association
American Jersey Cattle Association
 National All Jersey
American Meat Goat Association
American Poultry U.S.A.
American Red Brangus Association
American Sheep Industry Association
American Simmental Association
American Veal Association
Animal Health Institute
Animal Industry Foundation
Ayrshire Breeders Association
Beefmaster Breeders United
Chester White Swine Association
Conference of Research Workers in Animal
 Diseases
Continental Dorset Club
Dairy Management, Inc.
Dairy Society, International
Holstein Association USA, Inc
International Brangus Breeders Association
International Livestock Identification Assn.
Interstate Producers Livestock Association
Livestock Marketing Association
Master Dairies
Mohair Council of America
National Association of Swine Records
National Broiler Association
National Cattlemen's Beef Association
National Lamb Feeders Association
National Milk Producers Federation
National Pork Producers Council
National Suffolk Sheep Registry
National Swine Registry
National Turkey Federation
National Wool Marketing Corporation
North America Limousin Foundation
Purebred Dairy Cattle Association, Inc
Santa Gertrudis Breeders International

National Organizations:

United States Animal Health Association
U.S.A. Poultry and Egg Export Council
United Egg Producers
United States Egg Marketers

Organizations at the State Level:

Alabama Poultry and Egg Association
Arizona Cattlemen's Association/Arizona
Cattle Feeders Assoc.
Dairy Council of California
Dairy America, Milk Producers Council/CA
California Wool Growers Association
Colorado Cattle Feeders Association
Colorado Cattlemen's Association
Colorado Wool Growers Association
Connecticut Poultry Association
Delaware Egg Producers, Delmarva Poultry
Industry, Inc.
Dairy Farmers, Florida Dairy Farmers Assn.
Georgia Ag. Commodity Commission/Eggs
Georgia Egg Commission
Idaho Cattle Association
Illinois Pork Producers Association
Indiana Pork Producers Association
Iowa Pork Producers Association
Kansas Beef Council
Kansas Cattle Feeders Council
Kentucky Cattlemen's Association
Louisiana Broiler Council
Poultry Industries of Louisiana
Maine Dairy Industry Association
Maryland Egg Council
Massachusetts Poultry Association,
Massachusetts Turkey Growers Association
Michigan Milk Producers Association
United Dairy Industry of Michigan
Minnesota Pork Producers Association
Mississippi Egg Marketing Board
Mississippi Poultry Association
Missouri Cattlemen's Association
Montana Cattle Feeders Association
Montana Cattlemen's Association
Nebraska Cattlemen
Nevada Beef Council/Nevada Cattlemen's
Association
Northeast Dairy Herd Improvement Coop.
Dairylea Cooperative
Dairy Producers of New Mexico
New Mexico Sheep and Goat Council
Dairy Farmers of America

Organizations at the State Level:

North Carolina Pork Producers Assn.
North Dakota Stockmen's Association
Ohio Poultry Association
Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association
Oregon Cattlemen's Association
Oregon Dairy Council, Inc.
South Carolina Cattlemen's Association
South Dakota Cattlemen's Association
Tennessee Cattlemen's Association
Independent Cattlemen's Assn. of Texas
Texas Cattle Feeders Association
Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Assn.
Utah Cattlemen's Association
Utah Wool Growers Association
Green Mountain Dairy Farmers, Inc.
Virginia Poultry Federation
Washington State Dairy Federation
West Virginia Poultry Association
Dairy Council of Wisconsin
Farmers Union Milk Marketing Coop.
Wyoming Stock Growers Association