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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-15-013

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

FROM: Tim B. Witt */s/Rodger M. Matthews, for.*
Deputy Administrator

SUBJECT: 2015 Crop Year (CY) **Common Crop Insurance Policy** and **Area Risk Protection Insurance** Projected Prices and Volatility Factors and **Hybrid Seed Price Endorsement** Hybrid Seed Corn Prices

Common Crop Insurance Policy & Area Risk Protection Insurance¹

The 2015 CY **projected prices** shown below are approved for the following plans of insurance: Yield Protection, Area Yield Protection, Revenue Protection, Area Revenue Protection, Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion and Area Revenue Protection - Harvest Price Exclusion. The 2015 CY **volatility factors** shown below are approved for the following plans of insurance: Revenue Protection, Area Revenue Protection, Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion and Area Revenue Protection - Harvest Price Exclusion. The projected prices and volatility factors apply to policies with a **March 15 sales closing date, unless otherwise indicated**, and are applicable for the crops, practices, types and states indicated below:

Crop/Practice/Type/State	Exchange	Contract	Projected Price	Volatility Factor
Barley <i>Kansas</i>	CBOT	July Corn	\$3.45/bushel	0.14
Barley <i>Iowa, Nebraska, New York & Pennsylvania</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.51/bushel	0.17

¹ **Projected Prices and Volatility Factors are applicable for the following: Stacked Income Protection (STAX) cotton policies; and Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO) policies.**

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Barley <i>Colorado, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin & Wyoming</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.51/bushel	0.19
Barley <i>Alaska</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$4.03/bushel	0.19
Barley <i>California</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$3.59/bushel	0.19
Barley (March 15 Sales Closing Date, Winter Types without Winter Coverage Endorsement) <i>Idaho, Oregon & Washington (previously released 9/16/2014)</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.41/bushel	0.21
Barley (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring Type) <i>Kansas</i>	CBOT	July Corn	\$3.45/bushel	0.14
Barley (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring Types) <i>New York & Pennsylvania</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.51/bushel	0.17
Barley (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring Types) <i>Colorado, Idaho, Oregon & Washington</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.51/bushel	0.19
Barley (October 31 Sales Closing Date, Spring Types) <i>Nevada & Utah</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$3.51/bushel	0.19

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Canola <i>All States</i>	ICE	November Canola	\$0.161/pound	0.13
Canola - Rapeseed Type <i>All States</i>	ICE	November Canola	\$0.195/pound	0.00
Canola (August 31 Sales Closing Date, Spring Type) <i>Idaho, Oregon & Washington</i>	ICE	November Canola	\$0.161/pound	0.13
Canola - Rapeseed Type (August 31 Sales Closing Date, Spring Type) <i>Idaho, Oregon & Washington</i>	ICE	November Canola	\$0.195/pound	0.00
Corn <i>Oklahoma & Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$4.15/bushel	0.19
Corn - Organic Practice <i>Oklahoma & Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$7.81/bushel	0.19
Corn <i>Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin & Wyoming</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$4.15/bushel	0.21
Corn - Organic Practice <i>Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin & Wyoming</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$7.81/bushel	0.21

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Corn <i>Idaho, Michigan, Oregon & Washington</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$4.15/bushel	0.22
Corn - Organic Practice <i>Idaho, Michigan, Oregon & Washington</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$7.81/bushel	0.22
Cotton <i>Missouri, Tennessee, Texas & Virginia</i>	ICE	December Cotton	\$0.64/pound	0.15
Cotton - Organic Practice <i>Missouri, Tennessee, Texas & Virginia</i>	ICE	December Cotton	\$1.19/pound	0.15
Cotton <i>Kansas, New Mexico & Oklahoma</i>	ICE	December Cotton	\$0.64/pound	0.16
Cotton - Organic Practice <i>Kansas, New Mexico & Oklahoma</i>	ICE	December Cotton	\$1.19/pound	0.16
Grain Sorghum <i>Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$3.99/bushel	0.19
Grain Sorghum – Organic Practice <i>Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$6.11/bushel	0.19
Grain Sorghum <i>All States, except Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$3.99/bushel	0.21
Grain Sorghum – Organic Practice <i>All States, except Texas</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$6.11/bushel	0.21
Peanuts - Runner Type <i>New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas & Virginia</i>	CBOT/ICE	December Wheat, Cotton, Soybean Oil & Soybean Meal	\$0.2118/pound	0.08
Peanuts - Spanish Type <i>New Mexico, Oklahoma & Texas</i>	CBOT/ICE	December Wheat, Cotton, Soybean Oil & Soybean Meal	\$0.2817/pound	0.08

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Peanuts - Valencia Type <i>New Mexico, Oklahoma & Texas</i>	CBOT/ICE	December Wheat, Cotton, Soybean Oil & Soybean Meal	\$0.2457/pound	0.08
Peanuts - Virginia Type <i>New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas & Virginia</i>	CBOT/ICE	December Wheat, Cotton, Soybean Oil & Soybean Meal	\$0.2457/pound	0.08
Popcorn <i>Alabama (previously released: 2/17/2015)</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$0.1746/pound	0.19
Popcorn - Organic Practice <i>Alabama (previously released: 2/17/2015)</i>	CBOT	September Corn	\$0.2515/pound	0.19
Popcorn <i>All States, except Alabama & Michigan</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$0.1789/pound	0.21
Popcorn - Organic Practice <i>All States, except Alabama & Michigan</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$0.2577/pound	0.21
Popcorn <i>Michigan</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$0.1789/pound	0.22
Popcorn - Organic Practice <i>Michigan</i>	CBOT	December Corn	\$0.2577/pound	0.22
Soybeans <i>Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Washington & Wisconsin</i>	CBOT	November Soybeans	\$9.73/bushel	0.16

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Soybeans - Organic Practice <i>Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Washington & Wisconsin</i>	CBOT	November Soybeans	\$16.97/bushel	0.16
Soybeans <i>Delaware, Maryland, Oklahoma, Virginia & West Virginia</i>	CBOT	January (2016) Soybeans	\$9.78/bushel	0.16
Soybeans - Organic Practice <i>Delaware, Maryland, Oklahoma, Virginia & West Virginia</i>	CBOT	January (2016) Soybeans	\$17.06/bushel	0.16
Sunflowers - Oil Type <i>All States</i>	CBOT	December Soybean Oil	\$0.169/pound	0.16
Sunflowers - Confectionary Type <i>All States</i>	CBOT	December Soybean Oil	\$0.265/pound	0.16
Wheat - All Types Except Durum <i>Alaska, California, Colorado, Iowa, Maine, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon [Klamath County only], South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin & Wyoming</i>	MGE	September HRS Wheat	\$5.85/bushel	0.15
Wheat - Durum Type <i>Montana, North Dakota & South Dakota</i>	MGE	September HRS Wheat	\$6.32/bushel	0.15
Wheat (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring Type) <i>California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, Oregon [Klamath County only] & Wisconsin</i>	MGE	September HRS Wheat	\$5.85/bushel	0.15
Wheat (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring & Khorasan Types) <i>Montana</i>	MGE	September HRS Wheat	\$5.85/bushel	0.15
Wheat (September 30 Sales Closing Date, Spring Type & No Type Specified) <i>South Dakota & Wyoming</i>	MGE	September HRS Wheat	\$5.85/bushel	0.15

Hybrid Seed Price Endorsement

The following 2015 CY hybrid seed corn prices have been approved for the Hybrid Seed Price Endorsement: **\$4.15 per bushel** for the non-organic practice; **\$7.81 per bushel** for the certified organic practice.

These amounts reflect the higher values of either: 1) the previously-released 2015 crop year MPCCI hybrid seed corn price elections [non-organic practice: \$3.74 per bushel; certified organic practice: \$6.88 per bushel]; or 2) the futures-based price derived from the average daily settlement price in February for the 2015 December CBOT corn contract [non-organic practice: \$4.15 per bushel], multiplied by an organic corn price factor [certified organic practice: \$7.81 per bushel].

DISPOSAL DATE

December 31, 2015