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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: All Northeast Approved Insurance Providers Writing in the States of Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia

FROM: Robert Connors /s/
Director

SUBJECT: 60 Day Extension of RO Determined Yields for Category C Crops

BACKGROUND:

The Raleigh Regional Office (RO) has recently received a number of requests from Approved Insurance Providers (AIPs) to extend the standard timeline for submitting RO determined yield requests for Category C Crops.

The 2017 Crop Insurance Handbook FCIC 18010 (CIH) paragraph 2212 A (2) specifies that RO Determined yield requests must be signed by the insured by the Production Reporting Date (PRD) and submitted by the AIP, with any applicable inspections, to the RO no later than 60 calendar days after the PRD.

ACTION:

Paragraph 2212 of the 2017 CIH no longer clarifies situations where the RMA RO may grant an extension to the deadline. Therefore, the final date for the insured signature and AIP submission of the RO Determined Yield requests and all supporting records/documentation for the subject request types will be March 16, 2017 (60 calendar days after the production reporting date).

RO Determined Yield requests and/or supporting records or documentation initially received after March 16, 2017 will not be accepted by the Raleigh RO, unless the RO Determined Yield request results in a reduced APH yield in accordance with the 'Exception' noted in Paragraph 1840 of the CIH.

RMA plans to work with a Perennial Crop Workgroup formed with the industry to clarify future language for RO Determined Yield request deadlines.

Please contact the Raleigh Regional Office at RSONC@rma.usda.gov if you have any

additional questions.

DISPOSAL DATE:

Until incorporated into procedure.