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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-06-043

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

FROM: Tim B. Witt /s/Tim B. Witt
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SUBJECT: Hawaii Tropical Fruit & Hawaii Tropical Tree Pilot Program Materials for the 2007 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND:

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) contracted for the development of the Hawaii Tropical Fruit and Hawaii Tropical Tree Pilot Programs. The FCIC Board of Directors approved the pilots in September, 2005 contingent upon resolving issues raised by the expert reviews. The rating and pricing issues brought forth by the expert reviews have been resolved and the pilots are ready for implementation. The Hawaii Tropical Fruit Pilot is an Actual Production History plan of insurance. The Hawaii Tropical Tree Pilot is a Dollar Tree plan of insurance. The pilots will be available for bananas, coffee, and papayas in Hawaii, Honolulu, Kauai, and Maui Counties in Hawaii.

ACTION:

The RMA has placed the Hawaii Tropical Fruit Crop Provisions (07-0255), Hawaii Tropical Tree Crop Provisions (07-0265), Comprehensive Tree Value Endorsement (07-0265A), Hawaii Tropical Fruit Underwriting Guide (24200), Hawaii Tropical Tree Underwriting Guide (24210) and Training Manuals on the Risk Management Agency Website at:


The rates, prices, and Appendix III information applicable to these new pilot crops will be available not later than October 27, 2006.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This informational memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and the expiration date is December 31, 2006.