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Risk
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Kansas City,
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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: Silage Sorghum Pilot Plan of Insurance Policy Materials

BACKGROUND:

On May 6, 2004, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation's (FCIC) Board of Directors (Board) approved a Silage Sorghum Pilot Plan of insurance for two counties in Colorado (Baca, Prowers) and 37 counties in Kansas (Barton, Decatur, Ellis, Finney, Ford, Gove, Graham, Grant, Gray, Greeley, Hamilton, Haskell, Hodgeman, Kearny, Lane, Logan, Meade, Morton, Ness, Norton, Osborne, Phillips, Rawlins, Rooks, Rush, Russell, Scott, Seward, Sheridan, Sherman, Smith, Stanton, Stevens, Thomas, Trego, Wallace, Wichita).

Sorghum varieties grown for harvest as silage will be eligible for coverage under the new pilot program beginning in the 2005 crop year and continuing through the 2008 crop year. Non-silage varieties will not be covered under this pilot program.

ACTION:

Insurance for Silage Sorghum in the selected counties will be available for purchase for the 2005 crop year. The sales closing date is March 15, 2005. The Silage Sorghum Crop Provisions and all other associated materials are available at the RMA website <http://www.rma.usda.gov/pilots/2005pilot.html>.

DISPOSAL DATE:

This Informational Memorandum is for the purpose of transmitting information and its disposal date is December 31, 2005.



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