

## **IS-14-007**

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Date

May 13, 2014

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

Heather Manzano, Acting Deputy Administrator for Insurance Services /s/ Heather Manzano

Subject

Amendment to Section 502(c) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act

## **Background**

The Agricultural Act of 2014 (Act) amended section 502(c) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act by adding at the end of the following: (4) INFORMATION.-

(A) REQUEST.-Subject to subparagraph (B), the Farm Service Agency shall, in a timely manner, provide to an agent or an approved insurance provider authorized by the producer any information (including Farm Service Agency Form 578s (or any successor form)) or maps (or any corrections to those forms or maps) that may assist the agent or approved insurance provider in insuring the producer under a policy or plan of insurance under this subtitle.

(B) PRIVACY.-Except as provided in subparagraph (C), an agent or approved insurance provider that receives the information of a producer pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall treat the information in accordance with paragraph (1).

(C) SHARING.-Nothing in this section prohibits the sharing of the information of a producer pursuant to subparagraph (A) between the agent and the approved

insurance provider of the producer.

## **Action**

To implement the above revision in the Act, the Farm Service Agency issued Amendment 83 to their Acreage and Compliance Determinations Handbook found at: [www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA\\_File/2-cp\\_r15\\_a83.pdf](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/2-cp_r15_a83.pdf).

### **DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31, 2014