

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Notice MPP-39

For: State and County Offices

MPP Software Issues

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1 Overview

A Background

MPP Software was opened July 19, 2016, which:

- enables the 2017 coverage year
- applies the annual production history adjustment for applicable dairy operations
- provides the option for dairy operations to designate a milk handler to remit premium payments on their behalf.

B Purpose

This notice advises State and County Offices:

- of the known defects related to the 2017 coverage year
- what actions shall be taken until modified software is available that addresses the known defects.

Disposal Date

February 1, 2017

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Distribution

State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Software Issues

A Overview

The following MPP software defects were found in testing:

- contract status is incorrect on 2017 contract search results screen
- unable to perform a 2017 dissolution
- 2016 production history revisions (transfers and successions) are resetting the calculated production history without the bump when the initiated contract is approved
- review required status not displaying for 2017 coverage year, if the status was still displayed in 2016.

To release the software for the start of the 2017 enrollment period, the software is being released with the above defects. Additional information will be forthcoming when the issues are corrected.

B Contract Enrollment for 2017

When the 2017 coverage year contracts are accessed through the MPP main screen, the contract search results screen will be displayed with a list of dairy operations that have approved production history in 2017. The contract status should appear blank however, dairy operations' contract status is incorrectly defaulted to "initiated" if the dairy operation had a contract in 2016.

Until further instruction is provided, County Offices shall record a 2017 contract according to this table.

Step	Action
1	Select the radio button for the dairy operation enrolling for the 2017 coverage year.
2	CLICK the "Revise" button at the bottom of the screen. Warning: Do not click the "Create New" button. If this button is selected, the error message "The selected contract already exists. Please click on revise to edit contract" will be displayed.
3	CLICK the "Edit" button from the revise contract screen.
4	Continue through the contract process according to 2-MPP, subparagraph 72 B.

Note: Review the calculated production history and ensure the calculation is correct when recording the contract and after the contract is updated. Use 2-MPP, paragraph 31 in addition to comparing the printed CCC-782 to the production history displayed in software after COC approval to verify correct production history.

2 Software Issues (Continued)

C 2017 Contract Dissolutions

2017 dissolutions cannot be recorded. Until further instruction is provided, County Offices shall **not** attempt to record any 2017 dissolutions.

County Offices shall continue to record 2016 dissolutions in the system.

D 2016 Production History Revisions

After a transfer and/or successor-in-interest is completed in 2016, production history is displayed correctly on the screen until the initiated contract is updated. After the COC approval determination and date are recorded, the following occurs in the software:

- the contract status is incorrectly reset to initiated
- production history bump is incorrectly removed on contract search results screen
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Critical: Do **not** perform 2016 production history revisions until additional information is provided.

E Review Required

If a dairy operation has the “review required” status in 2016 after 2017 coverage year is available, the review required status will **not** display for that dairy operation in 2017.

County Offices shall complete the following **before** performing actions for a dairy operation in the 2017 coverage year:

- review the “review required” screen for 2016, according to 2-MPP, paragraph 32
- do **not** complete any 2016 processes (transfer, successor-in-interest, etc.), in the system for the applicable dairy operations, until additional information is provided.

Critical: The completion of all 2016 updates in the MPP system is critical before working in 2017. If a 2017 contract is completed before required updates to the dairy operation in 2016, then the 2017 contract may have incorrect information recorded. As a result, a new contract may need to be updated or recorded once 2016 data is corrected.