

For: FSA Employees

**USDA eAuthentication and Access to FSA Applications**

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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Notice IRM-355:

- was released on July 20, 2004, about eAuthentication service credentials for USDA employees
- provided USDA employees with information on obtaining level 2 accounts. Employees who have received level 2 access must use their standardized user ID's and passwords to access a wide range of web-based applications, including Service Center Information Management System (SCIMS) and the new web-based Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP), eligibility, and Power of Attorney (POA) applications.

**B Purpose**

This notice informs all FSA Service Center employees that after January 8, 2005, employees must use:

- their eAuthentication user ID and password to access SCIMS and the web-based DCP and eligibility applications
- the new URL to access SCIMS.

<p><b>Disposal Date</b></p> <p>May 1, 2005</p>	<p><b>Distribution</b></p> <p>All FSA employees; State Offices relay to County Offices</p>
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### 2 Action

#### A FSA Service Center Employee Action

All FSA Service Center employees shall:

- ensure that they have an eAuthentication user ID and password
- use this user ID and password to access SCIMS and the new web-based DCP, eligibility, and POA applications after January 8, 2005
- contact their State SCIMS Security Officer for assistance about eAuthentication user ID and password

**Note: The message, “According to your security profile, you do not have authority to access SCIMS. If you feel that you have received this message in error, contact your State SCIMS Security Officer.”, will be displayed if users do not have the proper security file.**

- access SCIMS using the URL <https://aegean.sc.egov.usda.gov/servicecenter/>
- provide NRCS and RD Service Center employees with a copy of this notice.

#### B State Office Action

State Offices shall:

- ensure that all FSA Service Center employees have an eAuthentication user ID and password
- provide respective NRCS and RD State Offices with a copy of this notice
- ensure that FSA Service Center employees comply with this notice and are aware that they will not be able to access SCIMS and the new web-based DCP and eligibility applications without USDA eAuthentication service credentials.