

For: Cotton CMA's and LSA's

**Automatically Releasing Electronic Warehouse Receipts (EWR's)
That Fail Automated Cotton Reporting System (ACRS) Upfront Edits**

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1 Overview

A Background

Currently, ACRS:

- automatically releases bales back to CMA/LSA's when EWR has been redeemed, trusted, or marked ineligible
- rejects LDP transactions where CCC is the current holder and does not release EWR.

During a meeting with CMA/LSA's on May 4, 2005, it was requested that EWR's that do not pass upfront edits be returned to the previous holder to facilitate more efficient processing.

Current policy does not require CCC to be the current holder of EWR's submitted for LDP. However, if the current holder is CCC, EWR is still eligible for LDP.

B Purpose

This notice informs CMA's and LSA's that COPS will automatically release EWR's:

- that fail upfront edits for loan transactions
- for valid LDP transactions when CCC is the current holder.

C Contact

CMA/LSA's shall direct questions about this notice to Julie Floriani by:

- telephone at 202-720-8374
- e-mail to **Julie.Floriani@wdc.usda.gov**.

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2 Returning EWR's

A Loan Bales That Fail Upfront ACRS Edits

For advance transactions, ACRS has been modified to automatically release EWR's back to the previous holder when the advance transaction fails the ACRS upfront edits, when any 1 of the following errors is detected and no other upfront ACRS errors are detected:

- BJ25 – COPS has not yet received classing from the AMS National or Regional Classing Offices
- B203 – Net bale weight on EWR does not match the net bale weight on the Advance transaction
- B304 – Storage start date on EWR does not match the storage start date on the Advance transaction
- B313 – Disbursement date on the Advance transaction is less than the receipt holder date on EWR.

However, EWR's will **not** be released back to the previous holder if:

- entire file is rejected because of a duplicate transmission or batch number
- correction advance is rejected.

The following table provides examples.

IF ACRS detects...	THEN EWR will...
BJ25 error	be released.
BJ25 and B203 errors	
BJ08 error	not be released.
BJ25 and BJ08 errors	

B LDP Bales

ACRS will no longer reject LDP bales if CCC is the current holder. **For valid LDP transactions:**

- bale will be updated to a pending valid LDP
- EWR's will be released back to the previous holder during the upfront edits
- LDP amount will be added to the authorization report
- bale will be notated with a BJ12 error code on the acknowledgement indicating that the receipt was released.

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3 Authorizing Release of EWR's

A Submitting Request

The new advance rejection indicator, which provides CMA/LSA authorization to release EWR's, is initially defaulted to "N". This prevents the release of EWR's for errors described in subparagraph 2 A.

CMA/LSA's are required to submit a one-time request for COPS to release EWR's automatically. If a request is submitted, PSD will authorize the indicator to be updated to "Y", and EWR's will be released as described in paragraph 2. The indicator will remain unchanged for future crop years until a change is requested by CMA/LSA.

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