

For: State Offices and Service Centers

**Disabling 2003 Direct and Counter-Cyclical (CC) Payment Processing**

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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2003 provided for direct and CC payments for covered commodities, oilseeds, and peanuts beginning with crop years 2002 through 2007. The 2003 direct and CC payment and overpayment processes use supporting files to determine whether a producer has been underpaid or overpaid. Because some of the supporting files only maintain data for the most current 3 years, some of the:

- outstanding payments cannot be processed because the supporting files cannot be updated
- producers may be listed on the overpayment register who are not actually overpaid.

**B Purpose**

This notice informs State and County Offices that:

- direct and CC processing for crop year 2003 will be disabled after the installation of County Release No. 573
- the following 2003 direct and CC processing functions will **not** be available after the installation of County Release No. 573:
  - payment processing
  - overpayment processing

**Note:** The payment history print (PPH) and CCC-509E will be the only processing options available after County Release No. 573 is installed.

- it will be required to submit documentation to the National Office where a 2003 direct or CC payment was earned by the producer, but **not** issued before processing software being disabled in County Release No. 573.

<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
May 1, 2006 9-20-05	State Offices; State Offices relay to Service Centers

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### 2 Action

#### A State Office Action

State Offices shall:

- ensure that County Offices are immediately informed of the contents of this notice
- forward the documentation to PECD, CPB, using either of the following methods:
  - FAXing Sandy Bryant at 202-720-0051
  - overnight mail to:     USDA, FSA, PECD, CPB  
                                  Attn: Sandy Bryant  
                                  STOP 0517  
                                  1400 Independence Ave. SW  
                                  Room 3643, South Building  
                                  Washington, DC 20250-1021.

#### B County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- ensure that County Release No. 573 is installed upon receipt
- submit the following crop year 2003 documentation to the State Office for any direct or CC payment that was **not** issued before installing of County Release No. 573:
  - explaining why payment was **not** issued before installing County Release No. 573
  - CCC-509
  - CCC-509E
  - direct or CC PPH

**Reminders:** If the producer is a joint operation, a PPH must be submitted for each member of the joint operation.

PPH must be submitted for each combined producer, if applicable.

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#### B County Office Action (Continued)

**Note:** PPH shall be printed by selecting the applicable menu options from the enabled 2003 direct, CC, payment menus. An accounting history print or transaction statement will **not** be accepted in place of PPH from the direct, CC processing menus.

- current MABDIG for each:
  - producer
  - affected member of the joint operation
- 2005 Farm Payment Reduction Report
- enter an overpayment according to 67-FI if determined that an overpayment has occurred.