

For: FSA Offices

Assignments for eLDP's Paid Through the National Payment Service (NPS)

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Management



1 Overview

A Background

FSA has developed a process allowing eligible producers to obtain Price Support Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP's) through the web. The payments will be referred to as Electronic Loan Deficiency Payments (eLDP's) and are scheduled to be available nationwide beginning September 20, 2004. eLDP's will be processed through NPS.

NPS is a centralized, web-based accounting application that supports web-based program applications to complete the payment process. All web-based program payments will be made by NPS.

eLDP web payments are optional, and producers will continue to have the choice of receiving their payments from their County Office as in the past.

There are 3 options available for producers requesting loan deficiency payments.

- LDP's may be issued through the System 36 by the County Office.
- eLDP's may be issued through NPS by using a personal computer.
- Payments may be issued through both the System 36 and NPS.

B Purpose

This notice provides information for the recording and processing of assignment information when issuing web-based eLDP's through NPS, and/or LDP's through the System 36. In addition, instructions regarding the certification process of eLDP applications submitted on behalf of the customer from the County Office are provided.

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March 1, 2005	All FSA Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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C Contact

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2 Recording Assignments in FSA-Financial Services (FSA-FS)

A Recording eLDP Assignments

This table provides information on program category codes to be used by County Offices when establishing an assignment for LDP's in FSA-FS.

IF LDP will be issued through...	THEN...
System 36	select option 2, "Correct/View Assignments and View Joint Payments", from the Assignment/Joint Payment Main Menu AZK000, to determine whether an LDP assignment currently exists. If not, access FSA-FS Assignments to establish the assignment by selecting Program Category Code "Loan Deficiency Payment" from the drop-down box in FSA-FS according to Notice FI-2638, paragraph 5. This assignment will replicate to the System 36 Assignment History.
NPS	establish assignments by selecting Program Category Code "Loan Deficiency Payment Web" from the drop-down box in FSA-FS according to Notice FI-2638, paragraph 5.
Both systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">establish assignments twice, 1 for each Program Category Code addressed above <p>Note: By recording the assignment both ways, the assignment will be honored whether the customer chooses to use County Office-issued payments or eLDP's from an external site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">monitor the administration of assignments according to 63-FI to ensure double reductions are not taken. <p>Note: County Offices will be able to use the same CCC-36 assignment of payment form for each assignment. Producers will not need to submit 2 forms.</p>

B Paying Assignments

For assignments paid by NPS, KCFO will issue the payment directly to the assignee.

3 Certification of eLDP's for Payment

A Certification of eLDP's Through NPS Initiated by County Offices

For eLDP applications initiated by the County Office on behalf of customers, eLDP will be calculated and submitted to NPS where it will be added to the County Office payment worklist for the Certifying Official according to Notice FI-2651.

B Certification of eLDP's Through NPS Initiated by Customers From an External Site

For eLDP applications submitted externally by customers from their personal computer, the application will be submitted to NPS where it will be added to the payment worklist for the National Certifying Official in Kansas City. If it is determined that a receivable or claim is recorded for setoff, special processing by the County Office is required for verification that the claim or receivable is still outstanding.