

**For:** CMA's, LSA's, and State and County Offices

**Handling 2000 Crop LDP Requests Received for Contract Commodities  
Produced on a Farm Without PFC and by FAX**

**Approved by:** Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



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**1 Overview**

**A  
Background**

The Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (ARPA) was signed by the President on June 20, 2000.

Section 206 of ARPA provides that effective for the 2000 crop year, producers who produced a contract commodity on a farm not covered by PFC will be eligible to obtain LDP on that production.

Until the regulations have been published with OFR, Section 206 of ARPA is not in effect. In anticipation of the publication of the regulations, LDP requests may be received from producers who produced 2000 crop contract commodities on a farm not covered by PFC.

On June 16, 2000, 1-CM, Amendment 76 was issued and provided the ability for producers to conduct business and provide signed documents to the Service Center by telefacsimile. FSA-237 must be completed for FAXed signatures to be accepted.

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Purpose**

This notice provides State and County Offices policy for:

- handling 2000 crop LDP requests received from producers for contract commodities produced on a farm without PFC
- requiring FSA-237 before accepting FAXed LDP requests.

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## Notice LP-1744

### 2 LDP Eligibility Requests on Production Without PFC

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#### A

#### LDP Eligibility

Producers who have produced a 2000 crop contract commodity on a farm without PFC:

- are eligible for LDP
  - may request LDP in the normal manner before beneficial interest is lost.
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#### B

#### County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- accept LDP requests in the normal manner
  - inform the producer that no action will be taken on LDP requests until further instructions are received about this issue
  - not approve or disapprove LDP requests
  - file LDP requests in a pending folder
  - wait for further instructions about the completion of these LDP requests.
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#### Further Instructions

Further instructions will be issued about the action required for approving or disapproving these LDP requests.

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### 3 FAXed LDP Requests

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#### A

#### Accepting FAXed LDP Requests

County Offices shall obtain, from producers, a completed FSA-237 according to 1-CM, paragraph 1008 for all 2000 and subsequent year LDP requests received by FAX. For FAXed LDP requests:

- already received in the County Office, immediately notify the producer that FSA-237 must be completed within 15 calendar days from the date of notification
  - received after the receipt of 1-CM, Amendment 76, obtain FSA-237 before accepting and approving any LDP requested by FAX.
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