UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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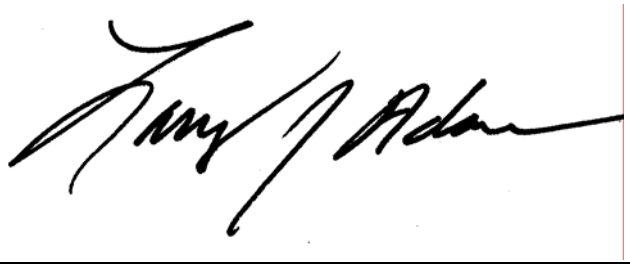
Notice PL-140

For: State and County Offices

Payment Limitations and Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) Operations

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

The County Operations Review Program (CORP) report has been issued for FY 2005. The CORP report included:

- specific findings by county operations reviewers (COR's) for both payment limitation and AGI operations
- recommendations for corrective actions.

It is important that procedures be followed to ensure that proper determinations are made.

B Purpose

This notice provides:

- information on the number of County Offices and forms reviewed
- details of the error conditions and incidences
- instructions for State and County Offices.

Disposal Date	Distribution
May 1, 2007	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

2 Scope and Findings of FY 2005 Review

A CCC-502's

In a standard review of payment limitations, COR completed the following.

Number of:

- County Offices reviewed – 440 located in 20 States.
- CCC-502's reviewed – 6,479.

Description of Finding	Percent of County Offices with Finding
CCC-502 not updated to reflect changes in farming operation. See 1-PL, subparagraph 50 C.	22

B AGI Certifications and CCC-526's

In a standard review of AGI operations, COR completed the following.

Number of:

- County Offices reviewed – 103 located in 20 States.
- CCC-526's and AGI certifications reviewed – 2,191.

Description of Finding	Percent of County Offices with Finding
Representative signature on CCC-526 accepted without signature authority on file. See 1-CM (Rev. 3), subparagraph 707 A.	67
Individual's or entity's telephone number not entered on CCC-526. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 2 B.	66
Individual's or entity's address not entered on CCC-526. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 2 A.	54
Social Security or tax ID number not entered on CCC-526. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 4.	44
Average Adjusted Gross Income certification statement on CCC-526 is not completed for an individual. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 6 A.	35
Representative signature on CCC-526 does not include an indicator such as "by" or "for". See 1-CM (Rev. 3), Part 25.	34
Participant signature on the CCC-526 is not dated. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 6 C.	26
County Office or Service Center telephone number not entered on CCC-526. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 1 B.	20
Type of operation not entered on CCC-526. See 1-PL and CCC-526, item 5.	19

3 Action Required

A County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- review the contents of this notice
- follow current procedural references mentioned with the findings
- correct any errors or deficiencies.

B State Office Action

States Offices shall:

- read and follow instructions in this notice
- ensure that County Offices follow applicable program procedures
- provide additional training, if necessary.