

For: State and County Offices

**Additional Instructions for Processing 3rd Dairy Market Loss
Assistance (DMLA-III) Program Transactions in APSS**

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1 Overview

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Background**

Notice:

- PS-384 provided APSS instructions for processing DMLA-III corrections and payments to new producers
- PS-387 provided updated APSS instructions for processing DMLA:
 - corrections
 - payments to producers:
 - who did not sign up for DMLA-I or DMLA-II
 - who received payments for less than a full 12 months of production
- LD-509 provided additional DMLA-III policy information and business rules for new producers.

PSD has received inquiries about how to process requests from DMLA-III payment recipients who now want to change the terms of the original application, such as producers, payment shares, etc.

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Purpose**

This notice:

- reminds County Offices of terms that **cannot** be changed
- provides 2 examples of DMLA-III “batch” payments to use as a guide.

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Reminder

When users:

- cancel DMLA-III payables, according to Notice PS-384, that action cancels **all** payables for the selected application
- processed an application **correctly** for DMLA-I and DMLA-II, they **cannot** change that operation's DMLA-III "batch" payment:
 - producers
 - payment shares
- process a DMLA-III correction, according to Notice PS-384, subparagraph 5 A, step 4, the term "**increased**" production means "**total**" production.

Important: When production is **increased** according to this correction, APSS will calculate and system-display the total DMLA-III payment amount, but the **resulting check amount** will be for the additional production only.

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Example I

Producers “A” and “B” filed DMLA-I application for a full 12 months of production, and received DMLA-I, DMLA-II, and DMLA-III “batch” payments according to these payment shares:

- “A” = 50 percent
- “B” = 50 percent.

After the DMLA-III payment was issued, producer “A”:

- stated producer “B” is retired, and did not share in the operation for 2000
- requested the DMLA-III “batch” payment be “corrected” by:
 - deleting producer “B”
 - changing payment share for producer “A” to 100 percent
- asked to apply as a “new” DMLA-III producer, using his 2000 production.

In this example:

- the DMLA-III “batch” payment shares were correct as issued:
 - 50 percent to producer “A”
 - 50 percent to producer “B”, even though producer “B” is now retired
- producer “A” cannot file an application as a “new” DMLA-III for his 2000 production because of his affiliation with the operation already on file.

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Example II

Producers “A” and “B” filed DMLA-I application for less than 12 months of production, and received DMLA-I, DMLA-II, and DMLA-III “batch” payments according to these payment shares:

- “A” = 60 percent
- “B” = 40 percent.

After the DMLA-III payment was issued, producer “A” requested:

- that the original application’s production be “increased” to reflect a full 12 months production
- the DMLA-III payment for the “increased” production be issued 100 percent to producer “A”, based on the fact that producer “B” did not share in the sale of the additional milk.

In this example:

- the DMLA-III “batch” payments were correct as issued:
 - 60 percent to producer “A”
 - 40 percent to producer “B”
 - “increased” production can be recorded to reflect a full 12 months production, according to Notice PS-387, subparagraph 2 C, but the DMLA-III payment shares for the “increased” production must remain unchanged, producer:
 - “A” = 60 percent
 - “B” = 40 percent.
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National Help Desk Assistance

County Offices that have already processed DMLA-III corrections that are not consistent with the examples in this notice, and who need further **automation** assistance to ensure that transactions are processed correctly, can call the National Help Desk at **1-800-255-2434**.
