

For: FSA Offices

**Electronic Loan Deficiency Payment (eLDP) Software Modifications
for Rice Requests Submitted on Tuesdays**

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1 eLDP Software Modifications

A Background

Program regulations for determining the effective LDP rate for rice is unique and different from all other eLDP commodities. The weekly LDP rate for rice is announced at 3 p.m. e.t. every Tuesday.

2-LP Rice, paragraph 155 instructs County Offices **not** to accept LDP requests for rice between the hours of 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.t. This is called the “dead hour”.

Note: eLDP software does **not** prevent eLDP requests from being processed during the dead hour.

Currently, eLDP requests are accepted and processed 24 hours, 7 days a week. A request may be accepted Tuesday morning and not processed until the afternoon or on a different day.

eLDP software needs to be enhanced for rice to reflect the polices associated with submitting eLDP’s during the dead hour.

B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices that eLDP software has been modified for rice requests to:

- establish a dead hour from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.t. for all external producers and County Offices
- allow County Offices to select the correct LDP rates based on time the eLDP request is submitted.

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January 1, 2006	All FSA Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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1 eLDP Software Modifications (Continued)

C eLDP Software Modifications

eLDP software for rice has been modified to:

- prevent all users from submitting requests on Tuesdays from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.t.
- allow County Offices to choose an a.m. rate (before 2 p.m. e.t.) or a p.m. rate (after 3 p.m. e.t.) for internally processed eLDP's submitted on Tuesdays.

Note: Only County Offices will have the ability to select an a.m. or p.m. rate. The software enhancements are applicable for eLDP requests submitted on Tuesdays only.

D Field Direct Quantities Delivered on Tuesdays

The eLDP software will populate the a.m. e.t. LDP rate in effect on Tuesday for Quantities delivered on Tuesdays that are covered under CCC-709 or CCC-633 EZ.