UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250

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For: State and County Offices

August 2021 Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), Commodity Loans, Marketing Assistance Loan (MAL), Farm Storage Facility Loan (FSFL), and Sugar Storage Facility Loan (SSFL) Interest Rates

Approved by: Chief, Policy, Accounting, and Reporting Branch (PARB)

1 Interest Rate Change Announcement

A Background

Under the provisions of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, as amended [7 United States Code 7283], 1996 and subsequent crop year commodity loans, including Marketing Assistance Loans (MAL) will accrue interest at a rate of one percentage point higher than the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) borrowing interest rate.

The Conservation Reserve Program and loan deficiency overpayment refunds will continue to accrue interest at the CCC borrowing interest rate whenever the interest rate is based upon the CCC borrowing rate that was in effect on the day the overpayment occurred.

According to 7 CFR 1436.12(a), Farm Storage Facility Loan Program Regulations, Farm Storage Facility Loan (FSFL) and Sugar Storage Facility Loan (SSFL) program loans accrue interest at an interest rate equivalent to the rate of interest charged on Treasury securities with comparable maturity.

According to 7 CFR 1405, Loans, Purchases, and Other Operations, CCC's borrowing interest rate for all CCC loans outstanding as of January 1 of any year will be adjusted to reflect CCC's cost of borrowing funds from the U.S. Treasury as of such date, plus one percent. CCC will announce the interest rates applicable to CCC loans, which will remain effective until the earlier of the maturity of the loan or until the following January 1.

B Purpose

This notice announces the CCC programs' various interest rates for August 2021.

Disposal Date	Distribution
October 1, 2021	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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C Applicability

These interest rates:

- apply to all regular commodity loans and MAL's and selected program overpayments disbursed during August 2021 as specified in subparagraph D;
- are subject to adjustment each succeeding January 1, except where noted;
- apply to FSFL activity based on the date CCC-185 (Loan Application and Approval for Farm Storage and Drying Equipment Loan Program) is "approved pending funding" by the County Committee (COC) or State Committee (STC) and remain in effect for the term of the loan; and
- apply to SSFL activity based on the date CCC-185-SU (Loan Application and Approval for Farm Storage and Drying Equipment Loan Program) is "approved pending funding" by Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs (DAFP) and remain in effect for the 15-year term of the loan.

D Interest Rates

The interest rates for August 2021 are:

- 0.125 percent per annum for CCC borrowing rate-based interest charges;
- 1.125 percent per annum for crop year commodity loans, including MAL, less than 1 year;
- 0.500 percent per annum for FSFL CCC-185's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the COC's or STC's with 3-year loan terms;
- 0.875 percent per annum for FSFL CCC-185's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the COC's or STC's with 5-year loan terms;
- 1.125 percent per annum for FSFL CCC-185's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the COC's or STC's with 7-year loan terms;
- 1.375 percent per annum for FSFL CCC-185's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the COC's or STC's with 10-year loan terms;
- 1.500 percent per annum for FSFL CCC-185's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the COC's or STC's with 12-year loan terms; and
- 1.750 percent per annum for SSFL CCC-185-SU's "approved pending funding" during August 2021 by the STC's with 15-year loan terms.

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