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**Web-Based Subsidiary Files
for 2009 and Subsequent Years
3-PL (Revision 1)**

Amendment 3

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Amendment Transmittal

A Background

Changes were required to be made to the Foreign Person section in eligibility software because SCIMS fields for citizenship country, resident alien, and originating country were summarized to populate the foreign person COC determination for all years. This created a problem for prior years because eligibility data is year specific and SCIMS data is not year specific and, therefore, may only be revised for the current year.

Eligibility software has been modified in the Foreign Person section to:

- always display the Foreign Person section
- use SCIMS data to update current year only
- allow COC determinations to be revised by the user for any year.

Software will be available Monday, December 14, 2009.

B Reason for Amendment

Paragraph 25 has been amended to provide procedure for revised software.

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25 Foreign Person Determination Information

A Introduction

*--Data in the Subsidiary Eligibility Screen, Foreign Person section is used to determine producer eligibility based on the foreign person provisions. See 4-PL, subparagraph 11 A for a list of program benefits covered by foreign person provisions.

Foreign person provisions do not apply to producers that meet the following conditions:

- individuals that are United States citizens
- individuals that are legal resident aliens
- businesses that originate in the United States.

B Example of Subsidiary Eligibility Screen Foreign Person Section

The following is an example of the Foreign Person section.

Foreign Person

COC Determination

Has the producer met the foreign person provision?

Yes
 No
 Not Applicable
 Pending

C Summarizing Data From SCIMS Record

SCIMS data is summarized to determine the default COC Determination for Foreign Person. Eligibility records are year specific; however, SCIMS data is not year specific. Therefore, SCIMS data may only be summarized to populate **current year** foreign person determinations. The foreign person “COC Determination” is defaulted according to the following.

IF the SCIMS customer’s...	AND the SCIMS customer’s “Resident Alien” flag is...	THEN foreign person “COC Determination” for the current year is defaulted to...
“Citizenship Country” is “United States”		“Not Applicable”.
“Citizenship Country” is anything other than “United States”	“Yes”	“Not Applicable”.
	“No”	“Pending” indicating that COC has not made a foreign person determination.
	“Unknown or N/A”	
“Originating Country” is “United States”		“Not Applicable”.
“Originating Country” is anything other than “United States”		“Pending” indicating that COC has not made a foreign person determination.

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25 Foreign Person Determination Information (Continued)

*--C Summarizing Data From SCIMS Record (Continued)

Changes to SCIMS “Citizenship Country”, Originating Country”, or “Resident Alien” fields may result in changes to the current year foreign person determination in eligibility. It is imperative that County Offices ensure that the citizenship country, originating country, and resident alien data is recorded accurately in SCIMS.

D Fields Applicable to Foreign Person Determinations

The following provides the fields applicable to foreign person determinations.

Option	Explanation
Yes	Foreign person provisions are applicable and the producer has filed the required documentation. Based on the documentation filed the COC has determined that the producer meets the foreign person provisions by providing land, capital, and active personal labor.
No	Foreign person provisions are applicable and the COC has determined the producer does not meet the foreign person provisions because the producer is not providing land, capital, and active personal labor.
Pending	<p>Foreign person provisions are applicable; however, the COC has not made a foreign person determination for either of the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producer has not filed the documentation necessary for a foreign person determination • Producer has filed the required documentation; however COC has not completed their determination.
Not Applicable	Foreign person provisions are not applicable.

Users will be allowed to change foreign person COC determinations to any value for all years. Web-based eligibility must be set to accurately reflect COC determinations for foreign person.

E Error Messages

Users are required to select 1 of the displayed options as the “COC Determination”. The “COC Determination” will initially be set as a default value and users cannot de-select those options without selecting another option. Since an option is always selected, there are no error messages applicable to the foreign person determination information.--*

26 **Actively Engaged Determination Information**

A Introduction

Data in the Subsidiary Eligibility Screen, Actively Engaged section is used to determine producer eligibility based on the actively engaged in farming provisions. See 4-PL, subparagraph 11 A for a list of program benefits covered by actively engaged in farming provisions.

B Example of Subsidiary Eligibility Screen, Actively Engaged Section

The following is an example of the Actively Engaged section.

Actively Engaged

COC Determination

Actively Engaged Not Filed

Awaiting Determination Awaiting Revision

Not Actively Engaged

Date Documentation Filed by Producer ▼

Update "AD-1026 Date Continuous Certification/Authorization Signed by Producer" with above date

Update "Adjusted Gross Income Date Documentation Provided by Producer" with above date

COC Determination Date ▼

