

For: State and County Offices

**Policy Handling CCC-633 EZ's for 2009 Crop Year Wool, Mohair, and Unshorn Pelt Before
Publication of the Regulation Governing Marketing Assistance Loans (MAL's) and LDP's**

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

Notice LP-2107 authorized State and County Offices to **accept** 2009 crop wool and mohair MAL's, and wool, mohair, and unshorn pelt LDP requests. This notice has created some confusion by the interpretation of the word "accept". County Offices accepting CCC-633WM's or CCC-633 EZ, pages 1 and 4 does **not** imply **approval** of MAL or LDP requests.

B Purpose

This notice:

- clarifies the effective LDP rate
- makes a clear distinction between an LDP agreement and request on CCC-633 EZ
- provides guidance for processing CCC-633 EZ's
- clarifies policy intent for Notice LP-2107
- **obsoletes** Notice LP-2111 to clarify information in subparagraphs 3 B and 4 B.

C Contacts

If there are questions about this notice, County Offices shall contact the State Office Program Specialist, and the State Offices shall contact either of the following.

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2 Distinction Between LDP Agreements and Requests

A Filing CCC-633 EZ, Page 1

CCC-633 EZ, page 1:

- **must** be filed **before** beneficial interest is lost to indicate producer's **intention** to receive LDP benefits
- is a crop year specific document that covers **all** eligible harvested, sheared, or slaughtered commodities in **all** counties in which the producer or entity conducts business
- serves as the LDP agreement portion of CCC-633 EZ, and subsequent pages (2, 3, and 4) serve as the actual LDP payment request.

B Additional Information

Specifically, for the wool, mohair, and unshorn pelts program, producers shall complete CCC-633WM for MAL requests, CCC-633 EZ, page 1 for the LDP agreement, and CCC-633 EZ, page 4 for LDP request for payment.

3 Intent of Notice LP-2107 and Guidance in Handling 2009 Crop Year CCC-633 EZ Applications

A Notice LP-2107's Intent

Notice LP-2107's specific intent was to provide guidance to County Offices:

- for **accepting** MAL requests and/or LDP agreements and LDP requests for payment for 2009 crop year wool, mohair, and unshorn pelts
- to withhold approval processing for MAL disbursements and LDP payments, pending the availability and release of price support software.

B Revised Regulation

The revised version of 7 CFR Part 1421 that governs the 2009 through 2012 crop years MAL and LDP has been filed with OFR. This regulation was effective on **April 6, 2009**.

For MAL, the approval date for wool and mohair requests received **before** April 6, 2009, is April 6, 2009. Follow normal established policy to approve wool and mohair MAL requests received on or after April 6, 2009.

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3 Intent of Notice LP-2107 and Guidance in Handling 2009 Crop Year CCC-633 EZ Applications (Continued)

B Revised Regulation (Continued)

For LDP, if the LDP agreement (CCC-633 EZ, page 1) was received **before** April 6, 2009, the County Office shall approve wool, mohair, and unshorn pelt LDP requests for payment (CCC-633 EZ, page 4) using April 6, 2009 as the approval date. The LDP rate in effect is the earlier of the date of the request, if beneficial interest is maintained, or the date beneficial interest was lost. Follow normal established policy to approve wool, mohair, and unshorn pelts LDP request for payment (CCC-633 EZ, page 4) received on or after April 6, 2009.

Prompt payment interest will **not** apply to any 2009 crop MAL requests, LDP agreements, or requests for payment received in the County Office before April 6, 2009.

4 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that the policies and procedures in this notice are being uniformly followed by County Offices.

B County Offices Action

County Offices shall:

- use April 6, 2009, as the official approval date for 2009 crop wool and mohair MAL requests on CCC-633WM for MAL requests received **before** April 6, 2009
- continue to accept the LDP agreement (CCC-633 EZ, page 1)
- use April 6, 2009, as the official approval date for 2009 crop wool, mohair, and unshorn pelts LDP requests for payment, if the LDP agreement (CCC-633 EZ, page 1) and LDP request for wool, mohair, and unshorn pelt payment (CCC-633 EZ, page 4) were received before April 6, 2009
- in all cases, the LDP rate in effect is the earlier of the date beneficial interest was lost for wool, mohair, and unshorn pelt LDP requests for payment (CCC-633 EZ, page 4) or the rate in effect on the date of request if beneficial interest is maintained, as applicable.