

designated by the Manager of the Corporation from those approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

**§ 445.2 Premium rates, coverage levels, and amounts of insurance.**

(a) The Manager shall establish premium rates, coverage levels, and amounts of insurance for peppers which will be included in the actuarial table on file in the applicable service offices for the county and which may be changed from year to year.

(b) At the time the application for insurance is made, the applicant will elect an amount of insurance per acre and a coverage level from among those levels and amounts set by the actuarial table for the crop year.

**§ 445.3 OMB control numbers.**

OMB control numbers are contained in subpart H of part 400, title 7 CFR.

**§ 445.4 Creditors.**

An interest of a person in an insured crop existing by virtue of a lien, mortgage, garnishment, levy, execution, bankruptcy, involuntary transfer or other similar interest shall not entitle the holder of the interest to any benefit under the contract.

**§ 445.5 Good faith reliance on misrepresentation.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of the pepper crop insurance contract, whenever: (a) An insured under a contract of crop insurance entered into under these regulations, as a result of a misrepresentation or other erroneous action or advice by an agent or employee of the Corporation: (1) Is indebted to the Corporation for additional premiums; or (2) has suffered a loss to a crop which is not insured or for which the insured is not entitled to an indemnity because of failure to comply with the terms of the insurance contract, but which the insured believed to be insured, or believed the terms of the insurance contract to have been complied with or waived; and (b) the Board of Directors of the Corporation, or the Manager in cases involving not more than \$100,000.00 finds that: (1) An agent or employee of the Corporation did in fact make such misrepresentation or take other erroneous

action or give erroneous advice; (2) said insured relied thereon in good faith; and (3) to require the payment of the additional premiums or to deny such insured's entitlement to the indemnity would not be fair and equitable, such insured shall be granted relief the same as if otherwise entitled thereto. Requests for relief under this section must be submitted to the Corporation in writing.

**§ 445.6 The contract.**

The insurance contract shall become effective upon the acceptance by the Corporation of a duly executed application for insurance on a form prescribed by the Corporation. The contract shall cover the pepper crop as provided in the policy. The contract shall consist of the application, the policy, and the county actuarial table. Changes made in the contract shall not affect its continuity from year to year. The forms referred to in the contract are available at the applicable service offices.

**§ 445.7 The application and policy.**

(a) Application for insurance on a form prescribed by the Corporation must be made by any person to cover such person's share in the pepper crop as landlord, owner-operator, or tenant if the person wishes to participate in the program. The application shall be submitted to the Corporation at the service office on or before the applicable sales closing date on file in the service office.

(b) The Corporation may discontinue the acceptance of applications in any county upon its determination that the insurance risk is excessive, and also, for the same reason, may reject any individual application. The Manager of the Corporation is authorized in any crop year to extend the sales closing date for submitting applications in any county, by placing the extended date on file in the applicable service offices and publishing a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER upon the Manager's determination that no adverse selectivity will result during the extended period. However, if adverse conditions should develop during such period, the Corporation will immediately discontinue the acceptance of applications.