county basis or other basis, will be at rates that comply with applicable statutes, and may be adjusted by CCC to reflect grade, type, quality, location and other factors applicable to the commodity and as otherwise provided in this section.

- (b) The basic marketing assistance loan rates for wheat, corn, barley, oats, grain sorghum, rice, peanuts, soybean, canola, flaxseed, mustard seed, rapeseed, safflower, sunflower seed, dry peas, lentils, chickpeas, crambe, sesame seed, wool, mohair and other crops designated by CCC will be determined by CCC and made available to State and county offices.
- (c)(1) Subject to adjustment under paragraph (g) of this section in case of forfeiture, for all 2009 through 2012 crop year commodities, except rice and peanuts, warehouse-stored loans will be disbursed at levels based on the basic county marketing assistance loan rate for the county where the commodity is stored. For the 2008 crop year only, warehouse-stored loans will be disbursed at levels based on the basic county marketing assistance loan rate for the county where the commodity is stored, adjusted for the schedule of premiums and discounts established for the commodity on the basis of grade, type, and quality factors set forth on warehouse receipts or supplemental certificates and for other factors, as determined and announced by CCC.
- (2) Subject to adjustment under paragraph (g) of this section in case of forfeiture, for 2009 through 2012 crop years rice, warehouse-stored loans will be disbursed at levels based on the milling yields times the whole and broken kernel marketing assistance loan rates. For the 2008 crop year of rice only, warehouse-stored loans will be disbursed at levels based on the milling yields times the whole and broken kernel marketing assistance loan rates, adjusted for the schedule of discounts on the basis of grade and quality factors set forth on warehouse receipts or supplemental certificates and for other factors, as determined and announced
- (3) For peanuts, warehouse-stored loans will be disbursed at levels based on National loan rates by peanut type, adjusted for the schedule of premiums

and discounts on the basis of grade, quality, and other factors set forth on warehouse receipts.

- (d) The Secretary will establish a single loan rate in each county for each kind of other oilseeds, such as but not limited to, sunflower, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe, sesame seed, and other oilseeds as designated by the Secretary.
- (e) Adjustments by the Secretary to establish loan rates for loan commodities, except rice, on a county basis will not be lower than 95 percent of the national average loan rate, if those loan rates do not result in an increase in outlays. Adjustments in this section will not result in an increase in the national average loan rate for any year.
- (f) For the 2009 through 2012 crops, producers on farms in the Acreage Crop Revenue Election program under part 1400 of this title will receive a 30 percent reduction in loan rate as established under this section for all loan commodities from the farm, except honey, wool, and mohair.
- (g) For the 2009 through 2012 crop years, premiums and discounts will not be applicable for all eligible loan commodities, except for peanuts, at loan disbursement; however, premiums and discounts will apply if the eligible loan commodities are forfeited and delivered to CCC and any deficiency must be repaid to CCC.

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#### §1421.10 Loan repayment rates.

- (a) For the 2008 through 2012 crops of barley, corn, grain sorghum, oats, wheat, dry peas, lentils, chickpeas, oilseeds, wool, mohair, and other crops as designated by CCC (other than peanuts, long grain rice, medium grain rice, and confectionery and each other kind of sunflower seed (other than oil sunflower seed), a producer may repay a nonrecourse marketing assistance loan at a rate that is the lesser of
- (1) The loan rate established for the commodity under §1421.9, plus interest;
- (2) A rate (as determined by the Secretary) that is calculated based on average market prices for the loan commodity during a preceding 30-day period and that the Secretary has determined will minimize discrepancies in

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marketing loan benefits across State boundaries and across county boundaries; or

- (3) A rate that the Secretary may develop using alternative methods for calculating a repayment rate for a loan commodity that the Secretary determines will: Minimize potential loan forfeitures; minimize the accumulation of stocks of the commodity by the Federal Government; minimize the cost incurred by the Federal Government in storing the commodity; allow the commodity produced in the U.S. to be marketed freely and competitively, both domestically and internationally; and minimize discrepancies in marketing loan benefits across State boundaries and across county boundaries.
- (b) To the extent practicable, CCC will determine and announce repayment rates under paragraphs (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section based upon market prices at appropriate U.S. markets as determined by CCC and these repayment rates may be adjusted to reflect grade, type, quality, location, and other factors for each crop of a commodity as follows:
- (1) On a weekly basis in each county for oilseeds, except canola, flaxseed, soybeans, and sunflower seed;
- (2) On a daily basis in each county for barley, canola, corn, flaxseed, grain sorghum, oats, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat; and
- (3) On a weekly basis regionally for dry peas, lentils, chickpeas, wool and mohair.
- (c)(1) For the 2008 through 2012 crops of peanuts, a producer may repay a nonrecourse loan at a rate that is the lesser of:
- (i) The loan rate established for the commodity under §1421.9, plus interest;
- (ii) A rate that the Secretary determines will: Minimize potential loan forfeitures; minimize the accumulation of stocks of the commodity by the Federal Government; minimize the cost incurred by the Federal Government in storing the commodity; and allow the commodity produced in the United States to be marketed freely and competitively, both domestically and internationally.
- (2) To the extent practicable, CCC will determine and announce weekly

alternative repayment rates for peanuts.

- (d) For the 2008 through 2012 crop of peanuts, the Secretary will require the repayment of handling and other associated costs paid under §1421.104 for all peanuts pledged as collateral for a loan that are redeemed under this section.
- (e) The Secretary will permit producers to repay a marketing assistance loan for long grain rice and medium grain rice at a rate that is the lesser of:
- (1) The loan rate established for the commodity under §1421.9, plus interest;
- (2) The prevailing world market price for the commodity, as determined and adjusted by the Secretary in accordance with this section.
- (f) For purposes of this section, the Secretary will prescribe—
- (1) A formula to determine the prevailing world market price for long grain rice and medium grain rice and
- (2) A mechanism by which the Secretary will announce periodically those prevailing world market prices.
- (g) Adjustments will be made to the prevailing world market price for long grain rice and medium grain rice.
- (1) The prevailing world market price for long grain and medium rice determined under paragraph (f) of this section will be adjusted to U.S. quality and location.
- (2) In making adjustments under this subsection, the Secretary will establish a mechanism for determining and announcing the adjustments in order to avoid undue disruption in the U.S. market.
- (h)(1) The prevailing world market price for a class of rice will be determined by CCC based upon a review of prices at which rice is being sold in world markets and a weighting of such prices through the use of information such as changes in supply and demand of rice, tender offers, credit concessions, barter sales, government-to-government sales, special processing costs for coatings or premixes, and other relevant price indicators, and will be expressed in U.S. equivalent values F.O.B. (free on board) vessel, U.S. port of export, per hundredweight as follows:
- (i) U.S. grade No. 2, 4 percent broken kernels, long grain milled rice;

- (ii) U.S. grade No. 2, 4 percent broken kernels, medium grain milled rice; and (iii) U.S. grade No. 2, 4 percent broken kernels, short grain milled rice.
- (2) Export transactions involving rice and all other related market information will be monitored on a continuous basis. Relevant information may be obtained for this purpose from USDA field reports, international organizations, public or private research entities, international rice brokers, and other sources of reliable information.
- (3) The prevailing world market price for a class of rice adjusted to U.S. quality and location, the adjusted world price (AWP), as determined under paragraph (h)(5) of this section, will apply to this section.
- (4) The adjusted world price for each class of rice will equal the prevailing world market price for a class of rice (U.S. equivalent value) as determined under paragraphs (h)(1) and (h)(2) of this section and adjusted to U.S. quality and location as follows:
- (i) The prevailing world market price for a class of rice will be adjusted to reflect an F.O.B. mill position by deducting from such calculated price an amount that is equal to the estimated national average costs associated with:
- (A) The use of bags for the export of U.S. rice, and
- (B) The transfer of such rice from a mill location to F.O.B. vessel at the U.S. port of export with such costs including, but not limited to, freight, unloading, wharfage, insurance, inspection, fumigation, stevedoring, interest, banking charges, storage, and administrative costs.
- (ii) The price determined under paragraph (h)(4)(i) of this section will be adjusted to reflect the market value of the total quantity of whole kernels contained in milled rice by deducting the world value of broken kernels it contains, with the value of the broken kernels determined by multiplying a formulaic quantity of broken kernels (4 percent per hundredweight) by the world market value of broken kernels. The world market value of broken kernels will be based upon the relationship of whole and broken kernel world prices as estimated from observations of prices at which rice is being sold in world markets.

- (iii) The price determined under paragraph (h)(4)(ii) of this section will be adjusted to reflect the per-pound market value of whole kernels by dividing the price by the quantity of whole milled kernels contained in the milled rice (96 percent per hundred-weight).
- (iv) The price determined under paragraph (h)(4)(iii) of this section will be adjusted to reflect the market value of whole kernels contained in 100 pounds of rough rice by multiplying such price by the estimated national average quantity of whole kernel rice by class obtained from milling 100 pounds of rough rice.
- (v) The price determined under paragraph (h)(4)(iv) of this section will be adjusted to reflect the total market value of rough rice by:
  - (A) Adding to such price:
- (1) The market value of bran contained in the rough rice, computed by multiplying the domestic unit market value of bran by the estimated national average quantity of bran produced in milling 100 pounds of rice; and
- (2) The market value of broken kernels contained in the rough rice, computed by multiplying the estimated world market value of broken kernels by the estimated national average quantity of broken kernels produced in milling 100 pounds of rice;
- (B) Deducting from such price an estimated cost of milling rough rice; and an estimated cost of transporting rough rice from farm to mill locations.
- (5) The adjusted world price for each class of rice, loan rate basis, will be determined by CCC and announced, to the extent practicable, on or after 7 a.m. Eastern Standard Time each Wednesday or more frequently as determined necessary by CCC, continuing through the later of:
- (i) The last Wednesday of July in the year in which the crop rice loan matures:
- (ii) The last Wednesday of the latest month the crop rice loans mature, or
- (iii) In the event that Tuesday is not a normal business day, the determination may be made on the next work day, on or after 7 a.m. Eastern Standard Time.

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- (i) The producer may repay a marketing assistance loan under this section for confectionery and each other kind of sunflower seed (other than oil sunflower seed) at a rate that is the lesser of:
- (1) The loan rate established for the commodity under §1421.9, plus interest, or
- (2) The repayment rate established for oil sunflower seed.
- (j)(1) On a form prescribed by CCC, a producer may request to lock in the applicable repayment rate for a period of 60 calendar days or for the remaining life of the loan term, whichever is less, provided that no request may be granted within 14 calendar days of the end of the loan.
- (2) The request to lock in the applicable repayment rate must be received in the FSA county service center that disbursed the loan.
- (3) The repayment rate that is locked in will be the rate in effect when the request to lock in is approved.
- (4) The repayment rate may be locked in on outstanding farm-stored or warehouse-stored loans.
- (5) The repayment rate that is locked in will expire as provided in paragraph (j)(1) of this section.
- (6) The requests can only be completed one time for a designated quantity.
- (7) The requests can be made in person or by facsimile.
- (8) The requests cannot be canceled, terminated, or changed after approval.
- (9) The locked in applicable repayment rate will not transfer to any loan disbursed outside of the originating county where the commodity was stored.
- (10) Once a repayment rate is locked in it cannot be extended.
- (k) If a producer fails to repay a marketing assistance loan within the time prescribed by CCC under the terms and conditions of the request to lock in a market loan repayment rate, the producer may repay the loan:
- (1) On or before maturity, at the lesser of:
- (i) Principal plus interest as determined by CCC: or
- (ii) The repayment rate in effect on the day the repayment is received in the FSA County Service Center.

- (2) After maturity, at principal plus interest.
- (1) When the proceeds of the sale of the commodity are needed to repay all or a part of a farm-stored loan, the producer must request and obtain prior written approval on a CCC-approved form and comply with the terms and conditions of such form, to remove a specified quantity of the commodity from storage. Approval does not constitute release of CCC's security interest in the commodity or release of producer liability for amounts due CCC for the marketing assistance loan indebtedness if payment in full is not received by the county office. Failure to repay a marketing assistance loan within the time period prescribed by CCC in the case of a farm-stored loan and delivery of the pledged collateral to a buyer is a violation of the agreement. In the case of such violation, the producer must repay the loan principal and interest or another amount as determined by the Deputy Administrator, FSA, as specified in §1421.109.
- (m) The producer may obtain county committee approval of a release of all or part of pledged collateral for a warehouse-stored loan at or before the maturity of such loan by paying to CCC:
- (1) The principal amount of the marketing assistance loan and charges plus interest or
- (2) An amount less than the principal amount of the marketing assistance loan and charges plus interest under the terms and conditions specified by CCC at the time the producer redeems the collateral for such loan.
- (n) A partial release of marketing assistance loan collateral must cover all of the commodity represented by one warehouse receipt. Warehouse receipts redeemed by repayment of the marketing assistance loan must be released only to the producer. However, such receipt may be released to persons designated in a written authorization that is filed with the county office by the producer within 15 days before the date of repayment.
- (o) The note and security agreement will not be released until the marketing assistance loan has been satisfied in full.
- (p)(1) If the commodity is moved from storage without obtaining prior

approval to move such commodity, such removal will constitute unauthorized removal or disposition, as applicable under §1421.109(b), unless the removal occurred on a non-workday and the producer notified the county office on the next workday of such removal.

- (2) Any loan quantities involved in a violation of §1421.109 must be repaid under §1421.109(e).
- (q) In the event of a severe disruption to marketing, transportation, or related infrastructure, the Secretary may modify the repayment rate otherwise applicable under this section for marketing assistance loans. Any adjustment made to the repayment rate for marketing assistance loans for a loan commodity under §1421.5 will be in effect on a short-term and temporary basis, as determined by the Secretary.

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## §1421.11 Spot checks.

- (a) CCC may inspect the collateral for marketing assistance loans, and producers with such loans shall allow CCC access to the farm and storage facility as necessary to conduct collateral inspections, or "spot checks" as they are called. Spot checks will verify that the quality and quantity of farmstored commodities pledged as collateral for marketing assistance loans are maintained by the producer.
- (b) Loan deficiency payments are selected for spot check to ensure that all eligibility requirements, as required by CCC, are met in order to receive such loan deficiency payment.
- (c) Producers must present production evidence for commodities acceptable to CCC when a spot check is conducted.

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- (a) Producers who redeem marketing assistance loan collateral at the prevailing world market price for rice, or the alternative repayment rate for all other commodities, as CCC determines or receives a loan deficiency payment may be required to provide CCC with:
- (1) Evidence of production of the collateral such as:
  - (i) Evidence of sales.
  - (ii) Delivery evidence,
- (iii) Load summaries from warehouse, processor, or buyer,

- (iv) Warehouse receipts
- (v) Paid measurement service
- (vi) Spot check measurements with paid measurement service
- (vii) Cleaning tickets for seed (viii) Scale tickets, if not issued by the producer for the producer's own production
  - (ix) Core tests for wool and mohair
- (x) Maximum eligible quantity as determined by CCC
- (2) The storage location of the collateral that has not been otherwise disposed of and access to such collateral;
- (3) Permission to inspect, examine, and make copies of the records and other written data as deemed necessary to verify the eligibility of the producer and commodity:
- (4) In the case of wool and mohair, permission to examine and inspect the sheep herd; and
- (5) Any other evidence requested by the county FSA service center or the Deputy Administrator, FSA.
- (b) A producer who fails to provide acceptable evidence of production shall be required to repay the market gain or loan deficiency payment and charges, plus interest, as determined by CCC.

# § 1421.13 Special loan deficiency payments.

- (a)(1) Eligible producers of unshorn pelts produced from live sheep and hay and silage derived from an eligible loan commodity as provided in §1421.5 are eligible to request unshorn pelt, hay, and silage quantities for a loan deficiency payment under subpart C of this part.
- (2) Unshorn pelts, hay, and silage derived from an eligible loan commodity are not eligible to be pledged as collateral to obtain a marketing assistance loan under subpart B of this part.

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# §1421.14 Obtaining peanut loans.

- (a) Peanuts loans to individual producers may be obtained through:
- (1) County offices; or
- (2) A designated Marketing Association or a CMA approved by CCC.
- (b) The loan documents shall not be presented for disbursement unless the peanuts pledged as collateral for the