BACKGROUNDER

- The deadline to register a post-harvest claim is November 15. Claims submitted between November 16 and December 31 will have indemnities reduced by 25 per cent. Claims will not be accepted after December 31.
- Producers who wish to register a claim must also complete and submit their 2008 Production Declaration form before their claim can be registered.
- Production information can be submitted by phone, mail, fax, office visit, or online via CropConnect.
- Crop Insurance will pay a number of claims based on production information without requiring an inspection by an adjuster. Staff will notify producers if they are eligible when they register their post-harvest claim.
- If customers wish to put their crop to any use other than combining, they must first contact Crop Insurance for an appraisal. The appraised value will be used in the annual production calculation for claim and long term yield updates.
- Production declarations are used to update the producer's individual average yield, which is the basis for coverage in future years. Individual average yield is recalculated every time a crop is grown using 90 per cent of the previous individual average yield and 10 per cent of the most recent annual yield. If the production declaration is not completed, the annual yield may be set at zero, reducing future coverage.
- 2008 Production Declaration forms were mailed to Crop Insurance customers in August. If misplaced, replacement forms are available from any customer service office. Blank forms are available at www.saskcropinsurance.com under Forms. The deadline to submit production information is also November 15.

Extensions of Insurance

- Coverage for the 2008 crop year ends November 15. If a producer has unharvested acres as of this date, they must contact Crop Insurance and request an extension of insurance. The deadline to request an extension of insurance is November 15.
- Coverage may be extended in areas where harvesting is generally not completed.
- The final adjustment will occur after harvest is complete, but no later than June 10, 2009.