U.S. Department of Agriculture Executive Order 13520, "Reducing Improper Payments"

2nd Quarter High-Dollar Overpayments Report for FY 2016

Name of Program Responsible	Recipient (Entity or Individual)	Total Dollar Amount of the Payments Identified (Sum of Intended Amount and Overpayment Amount)	Intended Dollar Amount That Should Have Been Paid	Overpayment Dollar Amount	Reason For Overpayments	Actions Taken or Planned to Recover the Overpayment	Overall Actions and Strategies Taken or Planned to Prevent Overpayments in the Future
Farm Services Agency (FSA) Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE)	Entity	\$154,630.00	\$0.00	\$154,630.00	The land was converted from a wetland to a cropland to plant agricultural commodities.	Receivable has been established and demand letters sent to the producer.	The SURE program ended with the 2014 Farm Bill; there are no corrective actions that can be implemented. The county offices will continue to perform reviews and establish receivables when noncompliance is determined.
FSA SURE	Individual	\$56,425.00	\$0.00	\$56,425.00	Noncompliance - Producers certified to meeting conservation compliance requirements and was later found to be in violation.	Overpayment recovered on 2/8/2016. No further action required.	The SURE program ended with the 2014 Farm Bill; there are no corrective actions that can be implemented. The county offices will continue to perform reviews, and establish receivables when noncompliance is determined.
Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Wetland Reserve Program (WRP)	Entity	\$364,744.00	\$0.00	\$364,744.00	The entity was not registered in SAM.gov at the time of payment. The payment was made on 5/14/14 and registration in SAM.gov didn't occur until 7/28/15. NRCS policy NI 120-354 requires the entity to maintain registration during the period of an active contract or agreement.	The overpayment will not be recovered since title has passed to NRCS.	The payment was made prior to the Protract controls implemented by the NRCS in January 2015. NRCS will continue to monitor the new interface to ensure that similar SAM.gov registration issues do not occur.
NRCS WRP	Entity	\$540,864.00	\$0.00	\$540,864.00	The entity was registered in SAM.gov at time of award. The payment was made in December 2014 and their registration expired in August 2014. NRCS policy NI 120-354 requires the entity to maintain registration during the period of an active contract or agreement.	The overpayment will not be recovered since title has passed to NRCS.	The payment was made prior to the Protract controls implemented by the NRCS in January 2015. NRCS will continue to monitor the new interface to ensure that similar SAM.gov registration issues do not occur.

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NRCS Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program	Entity	\$1,500,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,500,000.00	Required signatures were not on the application and payment request.	The overpayment will not be recovered since title has passed to NRCS.	The payment was made before the NRCS implemented the Easement Internal Controls Checklist which includes verifying the application. States will be reminded on monthly teleconferences about the proper procedures for validating payment requests.
NRCS Conservation Stewardship Program	Individual	\$38,979.00	\$0.00	\$38,979.00	Required signature was not on the conservation plan underlying the agreement.	Although the conservation plan was not signed by NRCS, it was technically adequate. Therefore, recovery of funds will not be pursued.	Protracts controls have been upgraded that will not allow approval or obligation of contracts without an electronic signature confirming the technical adequacy of contracts.
Risk Management Agency (RMA) Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Program Fund (FCICPF)	Entity	\$205,323.00	\$13,417.00	\$191,906.00	An Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) audit determined that the policyholder received coverage, but could not provide substantiating documentation for extra bushels of corn.	An accounting report reflecting the corrections from the AIP were filed with the Reinsurance Accounting and Eligibility Tracking Branch and RMA has collected the monies.	RMA conducted an investigation to confirm the insurance company's findings. RMA requested that the AIP correct the acreage error and submit an updated policy holder inquiry statement to show corrections were made on the 2012 insurance year. RMA will continue to collaborate with the AIPs to enforce documentation requirements and identify potential overpayments so corrections can be made before claims are filed.
RMA FCICPF	Entity	\$174,393.00	\$0.00	\$174,393.00	An RMA investigation identified discrepancies in a Group Risk Income Protection Plan on sunflower shares reported. The approved insurance provider company insured the sunflower crop and paid a claim based on a 100 percent reported share. After further investigation, the insured was found to not have a share in the sunflower crop.	An accounting report reflecting the corrections from the AIP were filed with the Reinsurance Accounting and Eligibility Tracking Branch and RMA has collected the monies.	RMA requested that the AIP correct the share error and submit an updated policy holder inquiry statement to show corrections were made on the 2008 insurance year. RMA will continue to conduct reviews that can identify discrepancies that may lead to overpayments so corrections can be made before claims are filed.