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## INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

**To:** All Approved Insurance Providers writing in the State of Virginia

**From:** Alexander Sereno, Director  
By William Barnes, Acting Director /s/ William Barnes  
Raleigh Regional Office

**Subject:** Requests for Actuarial Change for Low Nicotine Tobacco

### Discussion:

The Raleigh Regional Office (RRO) has received several questions regarding the insurability of low nicotine tobacco for the 2023 crop year.

Tobacco that is managed and cured in the same manner as flue-cured tobacco but has a nicotine content of not more than eight-tenths of one percent (8/10 of 1%) may be insurable via Type Practice, Unrated Practice/Type written agreement.

The request for actuarial change should be for Flue-Cured Tobacco, "Type 073 Low Nicotine Tobacco".

This tobacco should be kept in a separate database from other types of flue cured tobacco.

All Requests for Actuarial Change must meet the minimum documentation requirements and deadlines as published in the 2023 Written Agreement Handbook (FCIC 24020-1 (11-2022)).

Growers are encouraged to visit their crop insurance agent by the March 15 sales closing date to learn specific details for the 2023 crop year.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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