



Rain and Hail **Press Release**

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Rain and Hail agrees to offer Biotech Yield Endorsement

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Qualifying Corn Growers in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Minnesota can access a Crop Insurance premium savings through their trusted Rain and Hail agent for the 2008 crop year.

The "Biotech Yield Endorsement" (BYE) option is an approved Federal Crop Insurance Corporation premium rate reduction for non-irrigated corn growers in the above four Midwestern states. Producers choosing to plant hybrids containing triple stacked genetics (Yield Guard® Corn Borer, YieldGard® Rootworm, and Roundup Ready® Corn 2) may become eligible for a premium reduction beginning in 2008.

Producers insuring under the APH, CRC and RA plans of Crop Insurance coverage and planting in excess of 75% of their qualifying corn acres of an insured unit to a triple stacked qualifying variety may become eligible for the rate reduction. (All other program requirement must be met to realize a rate reduction) Producers are cautioned that they must remain conscious of other U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) refuge requirements needing to be met. It is the Producers responsibility to fulfill EPA requirement regulations and to certify to eligibility for the (BYE) rate reduction.

The (BYE) rate reduction endorsement is not an endorsement for a particular brand of seed corn. Producers are urged to plant the seed corn that best suits their individual Risk Management needs. If a producer is interested in further details surrounding the (BYE) rate reduction they should seek answers through a qualified Rain and Hail agent. Further training and details will be made available to writing agents and policyholders in the near future.

Additional program requirement details can be found by accessing either www.rainhail.com or the Risk Management Agency at www.rma.usda.gov/ .

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