

<u>New available contract:</u> Is the new available contract identical to a previously submitted example contract based on the four example-contract criteria?			
NO	YES		
Send the new available contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the new contract is made available to a producer.	Has the previously submitted example contract expired or been withdrawn?	YES	Send the new available contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the new contract is made available to a producer.
		NO	The previously submitted example contract will represent the new available contract; the packer does not need to send a new example contract.
<u>Negotiated contract:</u> Is the negotiated contract resulting from an available contract identical to a previously submitted contract based on the four example-contract criteria?			
NO	YES		
Send the negotiated contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the contract is negotiated.	Has the previously submitted example contract expired or been withdrawn?	YES	Send the negotiated contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the contract is negotiated.
		NO	The previously submitted example contract will represent the negotiated contract resulting from the available contract; the packer does not need to send a new example contract.
<u>Revised contract:</u> Is the revised contract identical to a previously submitted contract based on the four example-contract criteria?			
NO	YES		
Send the revised contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the contract is revised.	Has the previously submitted example contract expired or been withdrawn?	YES	Send the revised contract as an example contract. The example contract is due the next business day after the contract is revised.
		NO	The previously submitted example contract will represent the revised contract; the packer does not need to send a new example contract

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In addition, we developed guidelines that are intended to provide clarity to packers for the submission of example contracts. When this final rule is published, we will send a package to each packer required to submit

information when the rule is effective; the package will include a copy of the guidelines. Copies of the guidelines are available through the swine contract library Web site and from the Des Moines Regional Office upon request, and have been included in the

information collection package submitted to OMB for approval.

*Comment:* When should a verbal agreement be reported?

*Response:* The requirement for reporting a verbal contract is the same as for a written contract. A packer must