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INDUSTRY BULLETIN III

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To: NATIONAL COTTON COUNCIL

Certified Interest Organizations Representing Cotton Shippers, Marketing

Cooperatives, Warehousemen and Ginners

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Subject: Update on Industry Initiative to Improve Cotton Flow

Please distribute this bulletin among your membership as an update on industry efforts to improve cotton flow.

Batch 23 File Implemented

Following successful testing by the industry and key USDA staff to insure that the audit report features work as desired, EWR Inc.'s programing modifications to their Shipping Order Update (Batch 23) files were activated.

NCC Educational Material

The NCC recently developed a fact sheet that explains some of the reasons for updating the Batch 23 feature, how the feature works, its benefits and a list of considerations the primary users of the feature (shippers and warehouses) should understand when deciding whether or not to adjust their business practices to accommodate the revised process. The fact sheet, which is attached, also can be found by going to www.cotton.org/tech/flow/index.cfm and opening the link, "Update Shipping Order Feature."

Attachment