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# Energy In Agriculture: Managing the Risk

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### **Tuesday, June 27**

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome  
Eldon Gould, Administrator, RMA
- 10:30 a.m. Managing the Energy Risk in Agriculture  
Keith Collins, Chief Economist, USDA
- 11:15 a.m. The Economics of Energy Production in Agriculture  
Vernon Eidman, University of Minnesota
- 12:00 Lunch  
U.S. Agriculture: A Major Player in the U.S. Energy Scene  
David Bransby, Auburn University
- 1:30 p.m. A Broader Look at Risk Management  
Nick Piggott, North Carolina State University
- 2:15 p.m. Markets and Risk Management Strategies  
Kim Anderson, Oklahoma State University
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:30 p.m. Overview of Emerging Technologies  
Phillip Badger, President, General Bioenergy, Inc.
- 4:00 p.m. Energy Success Stories  
Ethanol Plant (cellulosic or non-cellulosic)  
*Speaker to be named*  
Biodiesel  
*Speaker to be named*

Methane Digester Systems

Bob Foster, Vermont dairy farmer

Vehicles Powered by Cellulosic Materials

Wayne Keith, Alabama farmer and logger

- 5:00 p.m. Marketing Success Stories  
Producer hedging, forward contracts, etc.  
David Spears, Agriculture Solutions, Inc.  
Ethanol marketer for co-op plants  
Steve Bleyl, CEO, Renewable Products Marketing Group
- 5:30 p.m. Adjourn
- 6:30 p.m. Reception and resource fair

**Wednesday, June 28**

- 8:00 a.m. Continental breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Perspectives on Energy and Risk Management – Producer Panel  
Traditional Producer Perspective  
Don Villwock, Indiana Farm Bureau  
Specialty Crops Perspective  
Joe Zanger, California Fruit and Vegetable Grower  
Small Farmer/Limited Resource Perspective  
Samuel Scott, North-South Institute
- 9:15 a.m. Perspectives on Energy and Risk - Other Interests  
Lender Perspective  
Corny Gallagher, Bank of America  
Industry Perspective  
Tom Medd, Cenex-Harvest States  
Marketing Perspective  
George Motroni, NYMEX
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Panel Interaction and Audience Discussion
- 11:45 a.m. Adjourn