

rate that is uniform for all such programs, projects, activities, and accounts, and may not be made so as to achieve a percentage rate of reduction in any such item exceeding the rate specified in the order; and

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(B) with respect to commodity price support and income protection programs, shall be made in such manner and under such procedures as will attempt to ensure that —

§ 256(j)(4)(B)(i)

(i) uncertainty as to the scope of benefits under any such program is minimized;

§ 256(j)(4)(B)(ii)

(ii) any instability in market prices for agricultural commodities resulting from the reduction is minimized; and

§ 256(j)(4)(B)(iii)

(iii) normal production and marketing relationships among agricultural commodities (including both contract and non-contract commodities) are not distorted.

In meeting the criterion set out in clause (iii) of subparagraph (B) of the preceding sentence, the President shall take into consideration that reductions under an order may apply to programs for two or more agricultural commodities that use the same type of production or marketing resources or that are alternative commodities among which a producer could choose in making annual production decisions.

§ 256(j)(5)

**(5) NO DOUBLE REDUCTION.** — No agricultural price support or income protection program that is subject to reduction under an order issued under section 254<sup>1604</sup> for

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<sup>1604</sup> Section 13101(d)(3) of the Budget Enforcement Act changed this reference from one to section 252 to one to section 254, so that it would continue to refer to the section dealing with orders. *See infra* p. 704.