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Distribution of User and Technical Reference Manuals for CARE
(Cost and Return Estimator)

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SUBJECT: ECN - UNIX AND DOS CARE MANUALS AND DISKETTES

Purpose. To distribute Northeast Technical Note No. N9 - Unix and DOS CARE Manuals and Diskettes.

Effective Date. When received.

Explanation. A crop budget generating software called CARE (cost and return estimator) has been developed in both Unix and DOS versions. A diskette for each version, installation instructions, the User Manual and the Technical Reference Manual are enclosed. While a few minor aberrations have been noticed in the Unix version, they are noted in the User Manual and do not interfere with use. The user may use either version as preferred and obtain consistent results.

State economists should develop and distribute sets of budgets to their field offices so that field office personnel can use the "Quick Budget" option scheduled for release in late spring. The next version of CAMPS will incorporate "Quick Budget".

CARE is being adopted SCS-wide and the mainframe Crop Budget Generator will be phased out. State economists should concentrate on learning and using CARE.

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