| Farmers' Cooperative Association Income Tax Return | OMB No. 1545-0051

For calendar year 1996 or tax year beginning....., 1996, ending...., 19

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	Instructions are separate. See page 1 for Paperwork Reduction Act No.				ce.	U	970	
A Identify below the cooperative's				Name	B En	nployer identifi	cation number	
business activity with most total receipts (see			Type or	Number, street, and room or suite no. (If a P.O. box, see page 4 of Instructions)	C Check if a consolidated return (Attach Form 851)			
	page 4 of instructions). City or town, state, and ZIP code							
						D Type of cooperative Tax exempt (Section		
E C	Check if: (1) Initial return (2) Final return (3) Change of address (4) Amended Ret							
	1a	Gross receir	nts o	r salesb Less returns and allowancesc Bal . ▶	1c			
	2			s sold (Schedule A, line 9)	2			
	3			Subtract line 2 from line 1c	3			
				idends and per-unit retain allocations (attach schedule)	4a			
ь		Dividends	4b					
Ĕ	5	Interest .	5					
Income	6	Gross rent	6					
_	7	Gross roya	7					
	8	Capital gai		8				
	9			ss) from Form 4797, Part II, line 20 (attach Form 4797)	9			
	10	Other inco	me	(see page 5 of instructions—attach schedule)	10			
	11			Add lines 3 through 10	11			
deductions.)	12			n of officers (Schedule E, line 4)	12			
Ö	13			vages (less employment credits)	13			
ᄗ	14			naintenance	14			
eq	15				15 16			
	16				17			
s on	17			nses	18			
ous	18			stributions (see page 7 of instructions for 100/ limitation)	19			
ati	19 20			ntributions (see page 7 of instructions for 10% limitation)	17			
Ē	21			ion claimed in Schedule A and elsewhere on return.	21b			
Ē	22	Depletion Depletion			22			
9	23				23			
Suc	24	Pension, p		24				
instructions for limitations	25			efit programs	25			
7	26	Other dedu	uctio	ons (attach schedule)	26			
ins	27a			ons. Add lines 12 through 26	27a			
ee				27a from line 11.........................	27b			
S				nd adjustments under section 1382 (Schedule H, line 4)	27c			
ns	28		ome	before net operating loss deduction and special deductions. Subtract line 27c from	20			
Deductions	20	line 27b .		perating loss deduction (see page 9 of instructions) 29a	28			
ğ	29			perating loss deduction (see page 9 of instructions)	29c			
De	30			ne. Subtract line 29c from line 28. (See page 9 of instructions)	30			
	31			edule J, line 9)	31			
	32a			nt credited to 1996 32a				
and Payments		•	,	d tax payments 32b				
	С	Less 1996	refu	and applied for on ,				
me		Form 4466	-	32c ()d Bal ▶ 32d				
ayı	е	Tax deposi	ited	with Form 7004				
<u>Б</u>	f			iguring tax for years in which nonqualified per-unit				
anc		retain certi	ifica	ites or nonqualified written notices of allocation				
Tax a				s year) were issued (see instructions)	201			
Ta	g			eral tax on fuels (attach Form 4136)	32h			
	33			penalty (see page 9 of instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached. a 22 le 32h is smaller than the total of lines 31 and 33, enter amount owed	33 34			
	34 35			e 32n is smaller than the total of lines 31 and 33, enter amount owed	35			
	36			f line 35 you want: Credited to 1997 estimated tax ► Refunded ►	36			

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Scl	nedule A Cost of Goods Sold (See page 9 of instructions.)					
1	Inventory at beginning of year		1			
2	Purchases		2			
3	Cost of labor		3			
4	Per-unit retain allocations paid in:					
а	Qualified per-unit retain certificates		4a			
b	Money or other property (except nonqualified per-unit certificates)		4b			
5	Nonqualified per-unit retain certificates redeemed this year		5			
6a	Additional section 263A costs (attach schedule)		6a			
b	Other costs (attach schedule)		6b 7			
7	Total. Add lines 1 through 6b					
8	Inventory at end of year		9			
9	Cost of goods sold. Subtract line 8 from line 7. Enter here and on line	2, page 1 L	7			
iua	Check all methods used for valuing closing inventory:					
	(i) Cost as described in Regulations section 1.471-3	471 4				
	 (ii) □ Lower of cost or market as described in Regulations section 1.471-4 (iii) □ Other (Specify method used and attach explanation) ► 					
h	Check if there was a writedown of subnormal goods as described in R					
C	Check if the LIFO inventory method was adopted this tax year for any	-			Ħ	
4	If the LIFO inventory method was used for this tax year, enter percentage	•		,		
u	closing inventory computed under LIFO		10d			
e	If property is produced or acquired for resale, do the rules of section 2		operative?	□Yes	□No	
	Was there any change in determining quantities, cost, or valuations be				□ No	
_	If "Yes," attach explanation.			,		
Sch	nedule C Dividends and Special Deductions	(a) Dividends	(b) %	(c) Deducti		
	(See page 10 of instructions.)	received	(b) 76	((a) × (b))		
1	Dividends from less-than-20%-owned domestic corporations (other					
	than debt-financed stock)		70			
2	Dividends from 20%-or-more-owned domestic corporations (other					
	than debt-financed stock)		80			
3	Debt-financed stock of domestic and foreign corporations (section		See instructions			
1	246A)					
4	utilities		42			
5	Dividends on certain preferred stock of 20%-or-more-owned public					
3	utilities		48			
6	Dividends from less-than-20%-owned foreign corporations and					
•	certain FSCs		70			
7	Dividends from 20%-or-more-owned foreign corporations and certain				· <u> </u>	
	FSCs		80			
8	Dividends from wholly owned foreign subsidiaries (section 245(b)) .		100			
9	Total. Add lines 1 through 8. See page 11 of instructions for limitation					
10	Dividends from certain FSCs subject to the 100% deduction (section		100			
	245(c)(1))		100			
11	Dividends from affiliated group members subject to the 100%		100			
	deduction (section 243(a)(3))		100			
12	Dividends from foreign corporations not included on lines 3, 6, 7, 8,					
12	or 10					
13	Income from controlled foreign corporations under subpart F (attach					
14	Form 5471)					
	IC-DISC and former DISC dividends not included on lines 1, 2, and/or					
15	3 (section 246(d))					
16	Other dividends					
10 17	Total dividends. Add lines 1 through 16. Enter here and on line 4b,					
.,	page 1					
18	Total special deductions. Add lines 9, 10, and 11. Enter here and on I	ine 29b, page 1.	•			

Form 990-C (1996) Page 3 Compensation of Officers (See instructions for line 12, page 1, on page 6 of instructions.) Schedule E Complete Schedule E only if total receipts (line 1a, plus lines 4a through 10, of page 1) are \$500,000 or more. Percent of association's (c) Percent of (f) Amount of stock owned (a) Name of officer (b) Social security number time devoted compensation to business (d) Common (e) Preferred % % % % % % % % % Total compensation of officers 3 Compensation of officers claimed in Schedule A and elsewhere on return . Subtract line 3 from line 2. Enter the result here and on line 12, page 1. **Deductions and Adjustments Under Section 1382** (See page 11 of instructions.) Dividends paid on capital stock (section 521 cooperatives only) Nonpatronage income allocated to patrons (section 521 cooperatives only). 2 Patronage dividends: 3 За Money... 3b **b** Qualified written notices of allocation . . 3c c Other property (except nonqualified written notices of allocation) d Money or other property (except written notices of allocation) in redemption of nonqualified 3d 3e 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3e. Enter here and on line 27c, page 1. 4 Schedule J Tax Computation (See page 12 of instructions.) Check if the cooperative is a member of a controlled group (see sections 1561 and 1563) ▶□ Important: Members of a controlled group, see instructions on page 12. 2a If the box on line 1 is checked, enter the cooperative's share of the \$50,000, \$25,000, and \$9,925,000 taxable income brackets (in that order): (2) \[\$ (1) \$ (3) |\$ **b** Enter the cooperative's share of: \$ (1) additional 5% tax (not more than \$11,750) . . . \$ (2) additional 3% tax (not more than \$100,000) Income tax 4a 4a Foreign tax credit (attach Form 1118) . 4b **b** Other credits (see page 13 of instructions). c General business credit. Enter here and check which forms are attached: 3800 3468 ☐ 5884 6478 ☐ 6765 8586 8830 ■ 8826 8835 4c 8844 8845 8846 8820 8847 . **d** Credit for prior year minimum tax (attach Form 8827) . . . 5 Total credits. Add lines 4a through 4d Subtract line 5 from line 3 . . . Recapture taxes. Check if from: Form 4255 Form 8611 (See page 13 of instructions). 7 8

Total tax. Add lines 6 through 8. Enter here and on line 31, page 1

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Schedule L Balance Sheets per Books			Beginning of tax year			End of tax year		
	Assets		(a)		(b)	(c)	(d)	
1	Cash							
2a	Trade notes and accounts receivable			Ш				
b	Less allowance for bad debts	()		()		
3	Inventories			_				
4	U.S. government obligations			_				
5	Tax-exempt securities (see instructions)							
6	Other investments (attach schedule)							
7	Other current assets (attach schedule)							
8a	Buildings and other depreciable assets			_				
	Less accumulated depreciation)		(
	Depletable assets	,		$\overline{}$,		
b	Less accumulated depletion					(
10	Land (net of amortization)							
	Intangible assets (amortizable only)	,		_		/		
	Less accumulated amortization					(
12	Other assets (attach schedule)			-				
13	Total assets							
	Liabilities and Capital							
14	Accounts payable			-				
15	Mortgages, notes, bonds payable in less than 1 year			-				
16	Other current liabilities (attach schedule)			-				
17	Mortgages, notes, bonds payable in 1 year or more Other liabilities (attach schedule)			-				
18 19	Capital stock: a Preferred stock							
19	b Common stock			\neg				
20	Paid-in or capital surplus							
21	Patronage dividends allocated in noncash form (other							
21	than capital stock and interest-bearing obligations).							
22	Per-unit retains allocated in noncash form							
23	Retained earnings (Schedule M-2)							
24	Less cost of treasury stock				()		()	
25	Total liabilities and capital							
Sch	edule M-1 Reconciliation of Income (Los							
	instructions.) Note : The cooper						and M-2 below	
	if the total assets on line 13, colu	ımn (d)	, of Scr	nec	dule L are less t	han \$25,000.		
1	Net income (loss) per books		7 Inc	om	ne recorded on b	ooks this year		
2	Federal income tax				cluded in this tax	· · ·		
3	Excess of capital losses over capital gains					\$		
4	Income subject to tax not recorded on		b Pat	tror	nage refunds	\$		
	books this year (itemize):							
					tions in this tax ret			
5	Expenses recorded on books this year not		aga	ains	st book income this	s year (itemize):		
	deducted in this return (itemize):		a Dep	pre	ciation	ф ¢		
a	Depreciation \$				outions carryover			
b	Contributions carryover . \$ Travel and Entertainment . \$							
C					nes 7 and 8 ne (loss). Line 6 l			
6	Add lines 1 through 5					ess line 9 (line		
	nedule M-2 Analysis of Unappropriated Rel	tained	Earning	as	per Books (I in	e 23. Schedule	L).	
1	Balance at beginning of year					· · · · · ·		
2	Net income (loss) per books							
3	Other increases (itemize):							
3	Other increases (itemize).				decreases (itemiz			
					nes 5 and 6			
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3				ce at end of year. L			

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Other Information. (See page 14 of instructions.) Note: Items 1 through 10b apply to section 521 Schedule N cooperatives only; the remaining items are applicable to all filers. Yes No Yes No Has the cooperative engaged in any activities not ☐ Method 1—Did the cooperative use the operations previously reported to the IRS? (If "Yes," attach a detailed description of these activities.) of members for those months that correspond to the months that make up its tax year? Have any changes not previously reported to the IRS been ☐ Method 2—Did the cooperative use the tax years of made in the cooperative's organizing or governing documents? (If "Yes," attach a copy of the changes.) members that end within its tax year? Number of shares of capital stock (other than nonvoting ☐ Method other than 1 or 2 above preferred) owned by-Explain Producers b Current and Active producers 11 Amount of business done for the U.S. Government or its Nonproducersd Inactive producers agencies. \$ May persons other than producers acquire voting stock or 12 Were patronage dividends allocated based on a written otherwise become members? obligation in existence before the cooperative received for Were nonmembers charged the same as members for sale agricultural products from patrons and/or before it furnished supplies, equipment, and services to patrons? Were patronage dividends paid to all patrons, both If "Yes," attach an explanation of the obligation and whether it is in the cooperative's organizing document(s) or bylaws. member and nonmember, on the same basis?. . . . Value of agricultural products marketed or handled for: 13 At any time during the 1996 calendar year, did the cooperative have an interest in or a signature or other Members—(1) Actually produced by such members authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank, securities, or other financial account)? If "Yes," the cooperative may have to file Form TD F 90-22.1. (2) Not actually produced by such members but marketed by them through this cooperative \$ If "Yes," write the name of the foreign country ► During the tax year, did the corporation receive a distribution **b** Nonmembers—(1) Actually produced by such nonmembers from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? (2) Not actually produced by such nonmembers but mar-If "Yes," see page 14 of the instructions for other forms the keted by them through this cooperative \$_____ corporation may have to file. Nonproducers—(purchased from nonproducers for 15 Tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax marketing by this cooperative) year , , , , , ▶ \$ **16** Method of accounting: **a** \square Cash **b** \square Accrual Value of supplies and equipment purchased for or sold 8 c ☐ Other (specify) ►.... a Members who were producers . \$ 17 Is the cooperative a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a Nonmembers who were producers \$ parent-subsidiary controlled group? Nonproducers \$ If you checked "Yes" to 17, enter name and employer Does the cooperative allocate income from business done identification number of the parent corporation for the U.S. or its agencies to all patrons? (If "Yes," attach a statement explaining how patronage dividends are **18** Did any individual, partnership, corporation, estate or allocated (as between producer patrons and purchaser trust at the end of the tax year, own, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the corporation's voting stock? (For rules Federated cooperatives only: of attribution, see section 267(c).) If yes, complete a and **a** Are all of this cooperative's member cooperatives exempt under section 521? Attach a schedule showing name and identifying number. (Do not include any information already If "No," do the nonexempt member cooperatives have the entered in 17 above.) same annual accounting period as this cooperative's? If "No," check the box that identifies the method that the **b** Enter percentage owned ▶ cooperative used, or will use, to provide a common or comparable unit of time for analyzing and evaluating its 19 If the cooperative has an NOL for the tax year and is operations and those of its members. (Note: The methods electing to forgo the carryback period, check here ▶ □ listed do not apply to the filing of returns or the manner in which operating results are reported by a federated cooperative and its members.) 20 Enter the available NOL carryover from prior tax years (Do not reduce by any deduction on line 29a.) ▶ \$..... Located at ▶ Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge. **Please** Sign Here Signature of officer Title Date Date Check if self-Preparer's social security number Preparer's Paid employed signature Preparer's Firm's name (or EIN ▶

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