

## ABOUT YOU

- 1. Name:
- 2. Email Address:
- 3. Date:

## BUSINESS OVERVIEW

- 1. Date Your Operation Started
- 2. Ownership structure of your operation (Sole proprietorship, LLC, Partnership, Co-Op)
  - a. The owners and percentage owned
  - b. How your operation started
  - c. Do you trade labor for use of machinery with family or another operator?
- 3. Tell us the breakdown of your farmed acres.
  - a. Attach Farms Operated Schedule, which includes the breakdown of your acres. If you are unable to attach the Farms Operated Schedule, fill out the following:
    - i. Total Acres Cash Rented
      - 1. Average Rent
      - 2. Total number of landlords
    - ii. Total Acres Crop Shared
      - 1. Total number of landlords
    - iii. Total Acres Owned
- 4. Tell us what makes your operation unique.
  - a. Do you have any specialty crops? (i.e. seed corn, non GMO, seed beans)
  - b. Livestock? If yes, list type, operation type, daily rate of grain, income type
  - c. Do you have forward contracting opportunities with grain or livestock? (i.e. food processor, livestock integrator) If so, please list in the area below.
  - d. List any discount purchasing opportunities that you have (i.e. family farms, land lords, seed sales).
  - e. List any alliances, mentors, personal or business-related relationships or networking arrangement directly tied to your operation

# Farm Goals

- 1. What are your short-term goals for the next 1-5 years?
- 2. What is your realistic vision and long-term (5-30 years) goals for this farming operation (growth, diversification, etc.)?
- 3. Is there a transition plan within your operation (i.e. machinery buyout)?

### MANAGEMENT SKILLS

- 1. What financial management skills have you obtained to run a successful operation?
- 2. My education includes:
  - a. High School Degree
  - b. College Degree
  - c. Specialized Training
  - d. Other Education (please specify)
- 3. I have taken the following courses/programs...
- 4. Please list agricultural-related organizations you are a member of and the number of years you have been involved:
- 5. Have you attended Farm Credit courses? If so, please list below:
- 6. Other financial skills include:
- 7. What production skills have you obtained to run a successful operation?
  - a. My on-farm experience includes:
  - b. I utilize the following farming practices:
  - c. Technology efficiency that my operation has include:
  - d. Other:
- RISK MANAGEMENT
  - 1. Describe the following:
    - a. My operational strengths:
    - b. My operational weaknesses:
    - c. Opportunities available for my operation:
    - d. Threats to my operation:

#### MARKETING STRATEGY

- 1. Do you have a written marketing strategy? If yes, please attach your written strategy.
  - a. If no, my unwritten strategy includes:
- 2. Does your operation have on-farm storage?
  - a. If yes, how many bushels?
- 3. My marketing advisers include:
- 4. My goal is to forward sell \_\_\_\_\_% of my crop by \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. How do you plan on achieving this goal?

### INSURANCE COVERAGE

- 1. Liability and Facility Coverage
  - a. Current Coverage, No Coverage or Planned Coverage
  - b. Carrier
  - C. Agent

- d. Policy
- e. Coverage Type & Level
- 2. Crop Insurance Coverage
  - a. Current Coverage, No Coverage or Planned Coverage
  - b. Carrier
  - C. Agent
  - d. Policy
  - e. Coverage Type & Level
- 3. Medical/Personal Insurance Coverage
  - a. Current Coverage, No Coverage or Planned Coverage
  - b. Carrier
  - C. Agent
  - d. Policy
  - e. Coverage Type & Level
- 4. Life Insurance Coverage
  - a. Current Coverage, No Coverage or Planned Coverage
  - b. Carrier
  - C. Agent
  - d. Policy
  - e. Coverage Type & Level

#### OFF-FARM INCOME & FAMILY LIVING

- 1. Do you and/or your spouse work off farm?
- 2. Describe any non-farm employment and how long it will continue:
  - a. Job Title Description(s):
  - b. Salary, Hourly, Commission or Seasonal? Income Amount?
- 3. What are your living expenses? This figure includes (i.e. house payment, vehicles, food, utilities, etc.) A detailed family living cash flow template/example is located at www.farmcreditil.com
  - a. Total monthly living expenses \$\_\_\_\_\_

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