Effective April 15, 2011, all grain warehouse receipts issued by TDA licensed grain warehouses must be in the form of the current approved receipt (see example on reverse side of this notice). To determine if your unissued grain warehouse receipts are the current version, refer to the back of the first page of an unissued receipt. A receipt is NOT in the current approved form if the signature of a Commissioner of Agriculture is present. The current approved form of a grain warehouse receipt no longer contains the signature of a Commissioner of Agriculture.

If you have the approved version of the grain warehouse receipt, no further action on your part is required.

If you have an outdated version of unissued grain warehouse receipts, please remove them from use and new grain warehouse receipts will need to be ordered if you plan to issue receipts after April 15, 2011.

To order new receipts, complete the enclosed Grain Warehouse Receipt Order and return it to TDA by fax to 888-215-4883, email to Regulatory@TexasAgriculture.gov, or mail to Texas Department of Agriculture, Grain Warehouse Program, PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711. All costs associated with receipt orders are the responsibility of the warehouse licensee.

Any outdated unissued grain warehouse receipts should be placed in a secure location and provided to a TDA inspector during the next inspection. The inspector will pick up the outdated unissued receipts and provide the warehouse operator with form RGW-316 Verification of Surrendered or Recovered Receipt.

The approved printer for the receipts has agreed to expedite printing orders for grain warehouse receipts to minimize the impact on grain warehouse operations.

NOTE: Any grain warehouse receipts issued prior to April 15, 2011 do not have to be re-issued and remain valid until returned to the licensee for cancellation.

For more information, contact Larry Mitchell, Coordinator for Commodity Programs, at 800-TELL-TDA (800-835-5832) or Larry.Mitchell@TexasAgriculture.gov.