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PREFACE

This publication contains papers presented at a Seminar held in conjunction with the 1984 annual meeting of North Central Regional Research Project NC-161 "Evaluating Financial Markets for Agriculture." Included in this volume are papers dealing with macro financial analyses of the agricultural sector, issues affecting lending institutions, credit management and leasing, interest rates and risk factors, and policy and performance measurement issues of the agricultural sector. This is the second set of seminar papers arising from the NC-161 project. The 1983 Proceedings was published by Ohio State University.

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