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To: Handlers Receiving Milk From Producers

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Subject: Multi-tanker-Producer Qualification

Based on changes in the milk-shed, the performance requirements to determine producer qualification must evolve. The memorandums dated December 23, 1999 (Producer Status as of January 1, 2000), February 10, 2000 (Dairy Farmer for Other Markets), and May 21, 2001 (Producer Qualification) are augmented by the following change.

Previously, in order for a producer to qualify, all of that producer's milk production for one day must have been physically received at a pool plant sometime during the month of qualification. With the introduction of producers to the market that ship more than a tanker of milk per day, it has become increasingly difficult to direct all shipments for any one particular day to a qualifying destination. The simple average of one day's volume will now satisfy the performance requirement for touch base with a pool plant for producers with daily volumes requiring multiple tanker pick-ups.

With respect to the other qualification rules, no other changes are intended by this action. The replacement of the qualified shipment standard from the entire production for one day, to the simple average of one day's production will apply to those dairy farmers with multiple deliveries from the farm each day.