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ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS AND COMPONENT PRICES

	March 2002	
	dollars	_
Class I price @ Suffolk County, MA (Boston) at 3.5% butterfat ^{1/}	14.87	per hundredweight
Processor Assessment ^{1/2/}	0.20	per hundredweight
Total Class I price ^{1/}	15.07	per hundredweight
Class II price @ 3.5 % butterfat	12.19	per hundredweight
Class II butterfat price	1.3708	per pound
Class II skim price ^{1/}	7.66	per hundredweight
Class II nonfat solids price ^{1/}	0.8511	per pound
Class III price @ 3.5 % butterfat	10.65	per hundredweight
Class III skim price	6.09	per hundredweight
Class IV price @ 3.5 % butterfat	11.42	per hundredweight
Class IV skim milk price	6.89	per hundredweight
Component prices:		
Butterfat price	1.3638	per pound
Nonfat solids price	0.7660	per pound
Protein price	1.8342	per pound
Other solids price	0.0688	per pound
Product price monthly averages:	dollars	
Butter	1.2333	per pound
Nonfat dry milk	0.9060	per pound
Cheese	1.2087	per pound
Dry whey	0.2066	per pound

Estimated Utilization Percentages of Producer Milk for April 2002^{3/}

	<u>Class I</u>	Class II, III and IV
Butterfat	20	80
Skim Milk	39	61

^{1/} Previously announced in Announcement of Class I Price and Advanced Pricing Factors.

(Class I prices by location and Regional Milk Production Costs on reverse side)

^{2/} The processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR§1160.101 et seq.).

^{3/} Utilization percentages for assigning bulk receipts at pool distributing plants from other federal order markets, Section 1000.45(a) of the Order.

^{*} These prices were computed using the formulas in the U.S. District Court's preliminary injunction order dated January 31, 2001. Note: Price formulas are available at www.ams.usda.gov/dairy/price_formula.htm.

MARCH 2002 Class I Price Information for the Northeast Order

				Prices	
			Skim	Butterfat	Class I#
				dollars	
			per cwt.	per pound	per cwt.
	Class I	Mover Factor:	7.10	1.3617	11.62
Selected					
locations	Differential*	Adjustment			
Boston, MA	3.25	0.00	10.35	1.3942	14.87
Newport News/Portsmouth, VA	3.20	(0.05)	10.30	1.3937	14.82
New York, NY	3.15	(0.10)	10.25	1.3932	14.77
Long Valley, NJ	3.10	(0.15)	10.20	1.3927	14.72
Philadelphia, PA	3.05	(0.20)	10.15	1.3922	14.67
Agawam, MA/Baltimore, MD	3.00	(0.25)	10.10	1.3917	14.62
Frederick, MD/New Holland, PA	2.90	(0.35)	10.00	1.3907	14.52
Mt. Holly Springs, PA	2.80	(0.45)	9.90	1.3897	14.42
Albany/Binghamton, NY	2.70	(0.55)	9.80	1.3887	14.32
Middlebury, VT	2.60	(0.65)	9.70	1.3877	14.22
Syracuse, NY	2.50	(0.75)	9.60	1.3867	14.12
St. Albans/Swanton, VT	2.40	(0.85)	9.50	1.3857	14.02
Watertown/Rochester, NY	2.30	(0.95)	9.40	1.3847	13.92
Buffalo, NY	2.20	(1.05)	9.30	1.3837	13.82
Jamestown, NY	2.10	(1.15)	9.20	1.3827	13.72

^{*} Differentials listed apply to states included in the Northeast marketing area. Outside of this area, differentials may be above or below this range. Cities listed are for reference purposes only. Differentials apply on a county basis.

Regional Milk Production Costs, February and March 2002*

Region	Total cash expenses		Total economic cost	
	February**	March	February**	March
	dollars per hundredweight			
Northeast	14.14	14.21	19.34	19.44
Southeast	14.05	14.11	17.87	17.96
Upper Midwest	13.05	13.06	18.04	18.11
Corn Belt	13.92	13.97	20.07	20.16
Southern Plains	12.37	12.42	15.85	15.92
Pacific	9.25	9.28	11.07	11.13

^{*} United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service. For further information, contact Sara Short, (202) 694-5588. Regions are defined as: Northeast—New York, Pennsylvania, and Vermont; Southeast—Florida and Georgia; Upper Midwest—Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin; Corn Belt—Iowa, Missouri, and Ohio; Southern Plains—Texas; Pacific—Arizona, California, and Washington.

[#] Price at 3.5% butterfat. Does not include the 20 cent per hundredweight processor assessment, an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR§1160.101 et seg.).

^{**} Revised from last month due to changes in milk production, producer price indexes, corn market price, and economic indicators for the U.S. economy.