

Agricultural Marketing Service Dairy Programs

FEDERAL MILK ORDER No. 1

Northeast Marketing Area

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS AND COMPONENT PRICES

| | November 2003 | } | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|--|
| | dollars | <u> </u> | |
| Class I price @ Suffolk County, MA (Boston) at 3.5% butterfat ^{1/} | 17.62 | per hundredweight | |
| Processor Assessment ^{1/2/} | 0.20 | per hundredweight | |
| Total Class I price ^{1/} | 17.82 | per hundredweight | |
| Class II price @ 3.5 % butterfat | 10.99 | per hundredweight | |
| Class II butterfat price | 1.2947 | per pound | |
| Class II skim price ^{1/} | 6.69 | per hundredweight | |
| Class II nonfat solids price ^{1/} | 0.7433 | per pound | |
| Class III price @ 3.5 % butterfat | 13.47 | per hundredweight | |
| Class III skim price | 9.29 | per hundredweight | |
| Class IV price @ 3.5 % butterfat | 10.30 | per hundredweight | |
| Class IV skim milk price | 6.00 | per hundredweight | |
| Component prices: | | | |
| Butterfat price | 1.2877 | per pound | |
| Nonfat solids price | 0.6663 | per pound | |
| Protein price | 2.9267 | per pound | |
| Other solids price | 0.0368 | per pound | |
| Product price monthly averages: | dollars | | |
| Butter | 1.1881 | per pound | |
| Nonfat dry milk | 0.8130 | per pound | |
| Cheese | 1.4941 | per pound | |
| Dry whey | 0.1947 | per pound | |

Estimated Utilization Percentages of Producer Milk for December 2003^{3/}

| | <u>Class I</u> | Class II, III and IV |
|-----------|----------------|----------------------|
| Butterfat | 23 | 77 |
| Skim Milk | 45 | 55 |

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

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^{2/} The processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR§1160.101<u>et seq.</u>). The Order requires that all persons who process and market commercially more than 3,000,000 pounds of fluid milk products in consumer-type packages in the 48 contiguous states and District of Columbia on a monthly basis, excluding those fluid milk products delivered to a residence of a consumer, be assessed 20 cents per hundredweight on all marketings of such packaged fluid milk products during the month.

^{3/} Utilization percentages for assigning bulk receipts at pool distributing plants from other federal order markets, Section 1000.45(a) of the Order. **Note: Price formulas are available at www.ams.usda.gov/dairy/price_formula.htm.**

November 2003 Class I Price Information for the Northeast Order

| | | | Prices | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------|-----------|----------|--|
| | | | Skim | Butterfat | Class I# | |
| | | | | dollars | | |
| | | | per cwt. | per pound | per cwt. | |
| | Class I | Mover Factor: | 10.33 | 1.2563 | 14.37 | |
| Selected | | | | | | |
| locations | Differential* | Adjustment | | | | |
| Boston, MA | 3.25 | 0.00 | 13.58 | 1.2888 | 17.62 | |
| Newport News/Portsmouth, VA | 3.20 | (0.05) | 13.53 | 1.2883 | 17.57 | |
| New York, NY | 3.15 | (0.10) | 13.48 | 1.2878 | 17.52 | |
| Long Valley, NJ | 3.10 | (0.15) | 13.43 | 1.2873 | 17.47 | |
| Philadelphia, PA | 3.05 | (0.20) | 13.38 | 1.2868 | 17.42 | |
| Agawam, MA/Baltimore, MD | 3.00 | (0.25) | 13.33 | 1.2863 | 17.37 | |
| Frederick, MD/New Holland, PA | 2.90 | (0.35) | 13.23 | 1.2853 | 17.27 | |
| Mt. Holly Springs, PA | 2.80 | (0.45) | 13.13 | 1.2843 | 17.17 | |
| Albany/Binghamton, NY | 2.70 | (0.55) | 13.03 | 1.2833 | 17.07 | |
| Middlebury, VT | 2.60 | (0.65) | 12.93 | 1.2823 | 16.97 | |
| Syracuse, NY | 2.50 | (0.75) | 12.83 | 1.2813 | 16.87 | |
| St. Albans/Swanton, VT | 2.40 | (0.85) | 12.73 | 1.2803 | 16.77 | |
| Watertown/Rochester, NY | 2.30 | (0.95) | 12.63 | 1.2793 | 16.67 | |
| Buffalo, NY | 2.20 | (1.05) | 12.53 | 1.2783 | 16.57 | |
| Jamestown, NY | 2.10 | (1.15) | 12.43 | 1.2773 | 16.47 | |

^{*} 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

USDA's Economic Research Service (ERS) has discontinued calculating estimated monthly Cost of Production (COP) for milk effective with data provided on 5/31/02. ERS has recently developed a new approach for computing milk COP estimates using data from the 2000 Agricultural Resource Management Study of dairy farmers. This COP information can be found at www.ers.usda.gov/data/costsandreturns/testpick.htm under the "milk" selection. For additional information contact Sara Short (202) 694-5588, Jim Johnson (202) 694-5560, or Bill McBride (202) 694-5577.

[#] 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 seq.).