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USDA ISSUES A TENTATIVE FINAL DECISION ON AMENDMENTS TO ALL FEDERAL MILK MARKETING ORDERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, 2006 -- The U. S. Department of Agriculture today issued a tentative final decision to amend the manufacturing (make) allowances contained in the Class III and Class IV product price formulas in all Federal milk marketing orders. The decision was based on the record of the first session of an emergency public hearing held in Alexandria, Va., on Jan. 24-27, 2006, and a second session held in Strongsville, Ohio, on Sept. 14-15, 2006.

The decision amends the manufacturing (make) allowances for cheese, butter, nonfat dry milk (NFD) and dry whey. Specifically, this decision adopts the following increased manufacturing allowances: cheese -- \$0.1682 per pound; butter -- \$0.1202 per pound; NFD -- \$.1570 per pound; and dry whey -- \$0.1956 per pound. These amendments are subject to producer approval before they can be implemented.

The tentative final decision will be published in the Nov. 22 Federal Register. Public comments are due 60 days after publication in the Federal Register, on Jan. 22, 2007.

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