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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS II, III, IV AND COMPONENT PRICES <sup>1/ 6/</sup>**

	<u>March 2002</u>
<b>CLASS II PRICE<sup>2/</sup></b> .....	\$ 12.19
Nonfat Solids Price, per lb. ....	\$ 0.8511
Butterfat Price, per lb. <sup>3/</sup> .....	\$ 1.3708
<b>CLASS III PRICE<sup>2/</sup></b> .....	\$ 10.65
Skim Milk Price.....	\$ 6.09
Protein Price, per lb. ....	\$ 1.8342
Other Solids Price, per lb. ....	\$ 0.0688
Butterfat Price, per lb. ....	\$ 1.3638
<b>CLASS IV PRICE<sup>2/</sup></b> .....	\$ 11.42
Skim Milk Price.....	\$ 6.89
Nonfat Solids Price, per lb. ....	\$ 0.7660
Butterfat Price, per lb. ....	\$ 1.3638
<b>SOMATIC CELL ADJ. RATE, per 1,000 SCC</b> .....	\$ 0.00060

**DAIRY PRODUCT AVERAGE PRICE QUOTATIONS**

	<u>MAR 2002</u>	<u>FEB 2002</u>	<u>MAR 2001</u>
<b>NASS WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES – FULL MONTH</b>			
CHEDDAR CHEESE, per lb.	\$ 1.2087	\$ 1.2895	\$ 1.2737
BUTTER, per lb.	1.2333	1.2480	1.4942
NONFAT DRY MILK, per lb.	0.9060	0.9121	1.0127
DRY WHEY, per lb.	0.2066	0.2334	0.2406

**REGIONAL MILK PRODUCTION COSTS, FEBRUARY 2002 AND MARCH 2002 <sup>4/</sup>**

<u>REGION</u>	<u>TOTAL CASH EXPENSES</u>		<u>TOTAL ECONOMIC COSTS</u>	
	<u>FEB <sup>5/</sup></u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>FEB <sup>5/</sup></u>	<u>FEB</u>
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

<sup>1/</sup> United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. For further information contact John Rourke, 202/720-7461. Prices are dollars per 100 pounds (cwt.) unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>2/</sup> The Class price announced is per hundredweight at 3.5% butterfat.

<sup>3/</sup> The Class II butterfat price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the butterfat price plus \$0.007 (\$0.70 divided by 100).

<sup>4/</sup> United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service. For further information, contact Sara Short, 202/694-5588. Costs are dollars per 100 pounds (cwt.). 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.

<sup>5/</sup> Revised from last month due to changes in milk production, producer price indexes, corn market price, and economic indicators for the U.S. economy.

<sup>6/</sup> These prices were computed using the formulas in the U.S. District Court's preliminary injunction order dated January 31, 2001.

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