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Federal Order No. 30

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TO: Interested Persons - Upper Midwest Marketing Area

SUBJECT: Order Amending the Orders – Effective January 1, 2011

An order amending the orders regulating the handling of milk in the Upper Midwest and all other Federal milk orders was signed August 17, 2010 by Rayne Pegg, Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service. The document was published in the *Federal Register* on August 24, 2010. **The amended orders will become effective January 1, 2011.** The decision and a related news release are enclosed.

This order:

1. Maintains the current fluid milk product definition's compositional standard of 6.5 percent nonfat milk solids criterion and incorporates an equivalent 2.25 percent true milk protein criterion for determining if a product meets the compositional standard.
2. Determines how milk and milk-derived ingredients should be priced when used in products meeting the fluid milk product definition.
3. Provides exemptions for drinkable yogurt products containing at least 20 percent yogurt (by weight), kefir, and products intended to be meal replacements from the fluid milk product definition.

A referendum was held and the required number of producers approved the issuance of the orders as amended.

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