SUMMARY OF THE ORDER, AS PROPOSED TO BE AMENDED

The order, as proposed to be amended, upon which this referendum is held, will include the terms and provisions of the order currently regulating the handling of milk in the Upper Midwest Marketing Area with the following changes and modifications:

The decision adopts provisions that amend the definition of a producer-handler in all Federal milk marketing orders to limit exemption from pooling and pricing provisions to those handlers with total route disposition and sales of packaged fluid milk products to other plants of 3 million pounds or less per month.

The order changes are based on a hearing held May 4-20, 2009 in Cincinnati, Ohio.