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DESCRIPTIONS OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ORDER,  
AS PROPOSED, REGULATING THE HANDLING OF MILK IN THE  
**Upper Midwest Marketing Area**

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**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 final decision adopts language contained in the recommended decision, published in the *Federal Register* on February 22, 2006 (71 FR 9004). The provisions are adopted on a permanent basis in this rule. Specifically, the decision will:

- 1) Establish a limit on the volume of milk a handler may pool during the months of April through February to 125 percent of the volume of milk pooled in the prior month;
- 2) Establish a limit on the volume of milk a handler may pool during the month of March to 135 percent of the volume of milk pooled in the prior month; and
- 3) Increase the maximum administrative assessment rate to 8 cents per hundredweight on all pooled milk.

The changes to the order are based on the record of a public hearing held August 16-19, 2004, in Bloomington, Minnesota.

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