



UPPER MIDWEST MARKETING AREA
Federal Order No. 30

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TO: Interested Persons - Upper Midwest Marketing Area

SUBJECT: Tentative Final Decision to Amend All Federal Milk Marketing Orders

A tentative final decision was recently issued by the Secretary of Agriculture, which adopts, on an interim final and emergency basis, amendments to the manufacturing (make) allowances for cheese, butter, nonfat dry milk (NFDM) and dry whey powder contained in the Class III and Class IV product price formulas applicable to the Upper Midwest and all other Federal milk orders. A summary of the changes made by this decision and a related news release are also enclosed.

Specifically, this decision proposes the following manufacturing allowances:

Cheese	\$0.1682/lb
Butter	\$0.1202/lb
NFDM	\$0.1570/lb
Dry Whey	\$0.1956/lb

The decision was based on the record of the first session of an emergency public hearing held in Alexandria, Virginia, on January 24-27, 2006, and a second session held in Strongsville, Ohio, on September 14-15, 2006. A paper copy of this decision can be obtained by calling Harold Ferguson of my staff toll free at 1-800-301-8224, Ext. 231. An electronic version of the document is also available on our web site at www.fmma30.com.

Cooperative associations will be polled to determine whether producers favor the issuance of the order. The order may not be made effective unless cooperative associations representing at least two-thirds of the eligible producers favor its issuance.

Interested persons have until January 22, 2007 to submit comments on this decision. Comments (four copies) should be filed with the Hearing Clerk, STOP 9200-Room 1031, United States Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9200. Comments may also be submitted at the Federal eRulemaking portal: <http://www.regulations.gov> or by submitting comments via e-mail to: amsdairycomments@usda.gov. Reference should be made to the title of action and docket number.

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Enclosures