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USDA RECONVENES NATIONAL PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ALL FEDERAL MILK ORDERS

Washington, D.C., March 20, 2007 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced that it will reconvene a national public hearing to consider proposals seeking to amend the Class III and Class IV product price formulas applicable to all Federal milk marketing orders. The hearing will begin at 1:00 p.m. on April 9 at the Radisson Hotel City Centre Indianapolis, 31 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, Ind. 46204, telephone (317) 635-2000.

The public hearing was originally held Feb. 26 – March 2 in Strongsville, Ohio. The purpose of reconvening this proceeding is to receive additional testimony on proposed amendments 1 through 20 as published in the original hearing notice on Feb. 9, 2007, and the supplemental notice of hearing on Feb. 20, 2007, in the *Federal Register*.

The reconvened hearing notice will be published as a proposed rule in the March 21 *Federal Register*. Copies of the hearing notice may be obtained from the USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, STOP 0231 - Rm. 2971, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-0231. The reconvened hearing notice is available on AMS' web site: www.ams.usda.gov/dairy.

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