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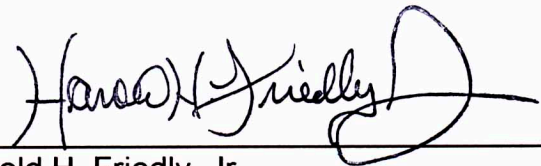
Subject: **USDA Announces Tentative Final Decision to Amend the Appalachian, Florida and Southeast Federal Milk Orders**

On February 25, 2008, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a tentative final decision that would increase Class I prices and adjust the Class I pricing surface of the Appalachian, Florida, and Southeast marketing orders. The decision is based on testimony and evidence given at a public hearing held at Tampa, Florida, May 21-23, 2007.

The decision also amends certain features of the touch-base, diversion limit standards and the transportation credit provisions of the Appalachian and Southeast marketing orders. USDA will conduct referendums to determine if producers approve the amended orders. If approved, USDA will issue an interim order making the amendments effective.

The tentative final decision was published in the February 29 Federal Register. Comments must be received by April 29, 2008, and can be made using the Federal eRulemaking portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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