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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADVANCED CLASS PRICES AND PRICING FACTORS**  
**FOR APRIL 2006**

	PRICE @ 3.5% BF <i>(per cwt.)</i>	SKIM MILK PRICE <i>(per cwt.)</i>	BUTTERFAT PRICE <i>(per lb.)</i>
<b>CLASS I PRICE</b>	<b>\$14.32</b>	<b>\$10.12*</b>	<b>\$1.3025</b>
Transportation Credit	.095	.095	.00095
Processor Assessment **	<u>.20</u>	<u>.20</u>	<u>.0020</u>
Total	\$14.615	\$10.415	\$1.30545
 <b>CLASS II PRICE</b>		 <b>\$7.28</b>	

**FACTORS USED IN PRICES FOR APRIL 2006**

**Advanced Pricing Factors:**

Advanced Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor <i>(per cwt.)</i>	\$7.02
Advanced Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor <i>(per cwt.)</i>	\$6.58
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor <i>(per lb.)</i>	\$1.2715

**NASS Product Price Averages for the Two Most Recent Weeks Ending March 11, 2006:**

Cheese <i>(per lb.)</i>	\$1.1686
Butter <i>(per lb.)</i>	\$1.1746
Nonfat Dry Milk <i>(per lb.)</i>	\$0.8789
Dry Whey <i>(per lb.)</i>	\$0.3478

\* Class I skim milk price is announced at the higher of the advanced Class III or IV skim milk pricing factors plus the base zone (Mecklenburg County, NC) differential of \$3.10 and is subject to location adjustments.

\*\* The processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7 CFR § 1160.101 *et seq.*). The Order requires that all persons who process and market commercially more than 3,000,000 pounds of fluid milk products in consumer-type packages in the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia on a monthly basis, excluding those fluid milk products delivered to the residence of a consumer, be assessed 20 cents per hundredweight on all marketings of such packaged fluid milk products during the month.