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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADVANCED CLASS PRICES AND PRICING FACTORS FOR JANUARY 2007

	PRICE @ 3.5% BF (per cwt.)	SKIM MILK PRICE (per cwt.)	BUTTERFAT PRICE (per lb.)		
CLASS I PRICE *	\$16.69	\$12.27 *	\$1.3857		
Transportation Credit <sup>1/</sup>	0.15	0.15	0.0015		
Processor Assessment **	0.20	0.20	0.0020		
Total	\$17.04	\$12.62	\$1.3892		
CLASS II PRICE		\$8.57			
FACTORS USED IN PRICES FOR JANUARY 2007					

## **Advanced Pricing Factors \*:**

Advanced Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$9.17
Advanced Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$7.87
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (per lb.)	\$1.3547

## NASS Product Price Averages for the Two Most Recent Weeks Ending December 16, 2006:

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Cheese (per lb.)	\$1.3758	
Butter (per lb.)	\$1.2439	
Nonfat Dry Milk (per lb.)	\$1.0233	
Dry Whey (per lb.)	\$0.4051	
MILEAGE RATE FACTOR (per cwt per mile) 1/:	\$0.00440	
EIA Average Diesel Fuel Price (per gallon) <sup>2/</sup> :	\$2.525	

\* 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 <u>et seq</u>.). 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.

1/ On October 25, 2006, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a final rule that amends the transportation credit provisions of the Appalachian Federal Milk Marketing Order. Effective December 1, 2006, the maximum transportation credit assessment rate will increase from \$0.095 per cwt to \$0.15 per hundredweight (§ 1005.81). A variable Mileage Rate Factor using a diesel fuel cost adjustor will also be used in the transportation credit payments (§ 1005.83).

2/ A simple average of the four most recent weeks of the Energy Information Administration's (of the U.S. Department of Energy) announced diesel fuel prices for the Lower Atlantic and Gulf South regions is used to determine the variable Mileage Rate Factor (§ 1005.83).