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ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS PRICES FOR FEBRUARY 2005 Federal Order No. 5

NASS Survey Price Quotations	2 Week Average January 8-15, 2005	February 2005 <u>Average</u>
Weighted Average Cheddar Cheese	\$1.4790	\$1.5711
AA Butter	\$1.5682	\$1.5945
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$0.8892	\$0.8990
Dry Whey	\$0.2481	\$0.2478

February 2005	Class I Price/Cwt.	Skim Price/Cwt.	B.F. Price/Lbs
Class I Price * Formula Price Transportation Credit Processor Assessment ** Hurricane Relief ***	\$16.89 .065 .20 000	\$11.07 .065 .20 000	\$1.7748 .00065 .0020 00000
Total	\$17.155	\$11.335	\$1.77745
Class II Price *	\$13.36	\$7.38	\$1.7824
Class III Price	\$14.70	\$8.79	\$1.7754
Class IV Price	\$12.74	\$6.76	\$1.7754

^{*} Class I prices and the Class II skim price as announced on or before 23rd of last month. Class I is announced at base zone differential of \$3.10 and is subject to location adjustments.

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^{**} 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.

^{***} A final rule has been announced that amends § 1005.60 of the Appalachian Federal Milk Marketing Order, on an emergency basis. For a 3-month period beginning January 1, 2005, the rule implements a supplemental increase in the Class I milk price at a rate not to exceed \$.04 per hundredweight of milk in the Appalachian Order. The amount generated will be disbursed during February 2005 through April 2005 to qualifying handlers who incurred extraordinary transportation costs as a result of the hurricanes experienced in August and September 2004.