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## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS PRICES FOR OCTOBER 2008**

	PRICE @ 3.5% BF (per cwt.)	SKIM MILK PRICE (per cwt.)	BUTTERFAT PRICE (per lb.)
CLASS I PRICE 1/	\$18.93	\$13.16	\$1.7791
Transportation Credit	0.15	0.15	0.0015
Processor Assessment 2/	0.20	0.20	0.002
Total	\$19.28	\$13.51	\$1.7826
CLASS II PRICE	\$16.60	\$10.46 <sup>1/</sup>	\$1.8577
CLASS III PRICE	\$17.06	\$10.97	\$1.8507
CLASS IV PRICE	\$13.62	\$7.40	\$1.8507

FACTORS USED IN PRICES FOR OCTOBER 2008			
NASS Product Price Averages:	OCTOBER 2008 Monthly Averages	2 Week Averages Ending September 13, 2008 <sup>1/</sup>	
Cheese (per lb.)	\$1.9065	\$1.7279	
Butter (per lb.)	\$1.6997	\$1.6125	
Nonfat Dry Milk (per lb.)	\$0.9987	\$1.2628	
Dry Whey (per lb.)	\$0.1945	\$0.2241	
Advanced Pricing Factors <sup>1/</sup> :			
Advanced Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$9.71		
Advanced Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$9.76		
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (per lb.)	\$1.7451		

1/ As announced on or before the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the previous month. 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 \$3.40 and is subject to location adjustments.

2/ 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.

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