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ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS PRICES FOR DECEMBER 2010

	PRICE @ 3.5% BF (per cwt.)	SKIM MILK PRICE (per cwt.)	BUTTERFAT PRICE (per lb.)
CLASS I PRICE 1/	\$20.36	\$12.51	\$2.3688
Transportation Credit	0.15	0.15	0.0015
Processor Assessment 2/	0.20	0.20	0.002
Total	\$20.71	\$12.86	\$2.3723
CLASS II PRICE	\$15.77	\$9.81 ^{1/}	\$1.8022
CLASS III PRICE	\$13.83	\$7.82	\$1.7952
CLASS IV PRICE	\$15.03	\$9.06	\$1.7952

FACTORS USED IN PRICES FOR DECEMBER 2010			
NASS Product Price Averages:	DECEMBER 2010 Monthly Averages	2 Week Averages Ending November 13, 2010 ¹	
Cheese (per lb.)	\$1.4606	\$1.7063	
Butter (per lb.)	\$1.6539	\$2.0995	
Nonfat Dry Milk (per lb.)	\$1.1848	\$1.1903	
Dry Whey (per lb.)	\$0.3789	\$0.3716	
Advanced Pricing Factors ^{1/} :			
Advanced Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$8.47		
Advanced Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$9.11		
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (per lb.)	\$2.3348		

1/ As announced on or before the 23rd 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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