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## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS PRICES FOR DECEMBER 2014**

	PRICE @ 3.5% BF	SKIM MILK PRICE (per cwt.)	BUTTERFAT PRICE (per lb.)
CLASS I PRICE 1/	\$25.93	\$18.79	\$2.2275
Transportation Credit	0.15	0.15	0.0015
Processor Assessment 2/	0.20	0.20	0.002
Total	\$26.28	\$19.14	\$2.2310
CLASS II PRICE	\$19.09	\$12.14 <sup>1/</sup>	\$2.1061
CLASS III PRICE	\$17.82	\$10.85	\$2.0991
CLASS IV PRICE	\$16.70	\$9.69	\$2.0991

## **FACTORS USED IN PRICES FOR DECEMBER 2014**

Product Price Averages:	DECEMBER 2014 Monthly Averages	2 Week Averages Ending November 15, 2014 <sup>1</sup>
Cheese (per lb.)	\$1.7362	\$2.1872
Butter (per lb.)	\$1.9049	\$1.9828
Nonfat Dry Milk (per lb.)	\$1.2554	\$1.4517
Dry Whey (per lb.)	\$0.5871	\$0.6441
Advanced Pricing Factors <sup>1/</sup> :		
Advanced Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$15.39	
Advanced Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (per cwt.)	\$11.44	
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (per lb.)	\$2.1935	

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.

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<sup>2/</sup> 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.