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To:

Pool Handlers – Arizona Federal Milk Order 131

Subject:

Proposed Revision in Shipping Percentages for Plants Operated by a Cooperative

Association

SUMMARY: Written comments are invited on a proposal to decrease the percentage of producer milk that a cooperative association must ship to pool distributing plants in order to qualify its manufacturing plant for pool status under the Arizona Federal Milk Order 131.

The proposed action was requested by United Dairymen of Arizona (UDA), a cooperative association which operates a pool manufacturing plant under the order. UDA has requested that the current shipping standards of 20 percent in January through March, 15 percent in April through June, and 20 percent in July through December be changed to 15 percent in January through December effective with the February 2015 delivery period. The current shipping standards result from an adjustment effective with the January 2003 delivery period. The shipping percentages were also reduced during calendar years 2000, 2001, and 2002.

The Market Administrator invites the submission of comments, data, or views on this request to lower the shipping percentages to 15 percent in January through December effective with the February 2015 delivery period.

DATES: Comments are to be received by the Market Administrator no later than January 28, 2015.

ADDRESS: Comments may be submitted by e-mail to fmmaseattle.com, or by fax to 602-547-2906. Comments may also be mailed to: Market Administrator, Arizona Federal Milk Order 131, 4835 E. Cactus Road, Suite 365, Scottsdale, AZ 85254.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact this office.

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