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ANNOUNCEMENT OF MINIMUM CLASS AND COMPONENT PRICES: *ADVANCED* March 2000

	Pacific		Pacific Northwest & Western		
	Northwest	Western	Class II	Class III	Class IV
	Class I *				
Skim 1/	\$ 9.61	\$ 9.61	\$ 8.41	4/	4/
Butterfat 2/	\$ 0.9903	\$ 0.9903	4/	4/	4/
Protein 2/				4/	
Other Solids /2				4/	
Nonfat Solids 2/			\$ 0.9344		4/
@ 3.5% Butterfat 1/ 3/	\$ 12.74	\$ 12.74	4/	4/	4/
Processor Assessment **	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20			
Total 1/	\$ 12.94	\$ 12.94			

Arizona-Las Vegas

	Class I *	Class II	Class III	Class IV
Skim 1/	\$ 10.06	\$ 8.41	4/	4/
Butterfat 2/	\$ 0.9948	4/	4/	4/
@ 3.5% Butterfat 1/ 3/	\$ 13.19	4/	4/	4/
Processor Assessment **	\$ 0.20			
Total 1/	\$ 13.39			

Supplemental Price Data From NASS Surveys			Advanced Pricing Factors	
Surveys Included: 2/5/00 and 2/12/00	Average Price	Total Pounds of Product		
Grade AA Butter	\$ 0.9105	10,927,681	Butterfat	\$ 0.9713
Cheese 40 Lb. Blocks	\$ 1.1054	11,254,340	Class III Skim	\$ 6.38
Cheese 500 Lb. Barrels	\$ 1.0804	17,452,872	Class IV Skim	\$ 7.71
Cheese, Average	\$ 1.1084	28,707,212		
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$ 1.0104	40,180,459	Base Skim Milk Price	
Dry Whey	\$ 0.1800	13,670,956	for Class I	\$ 7.71

Pacific Northwest (FO 124) & Western Order (FO 135) price milk on the basis of multiple components.

Arizona-Las Vegas (FO 131) prices milk on the basis of butterfat and skim.

* Subject to applicable location adjustments.

** The processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR § 1160.101 et seq.).

The Order requires that all persons who process and market more than 500,000 pounds of fluid milk products in consumer-type packages in the contiguous 48 States of the continental United States and the District of Columbia be assessed 20 cents per hundredweight on all marketings of such packaged fluid milk products during the month.

1/ Per hundredweight. 2/ Per pound. 3/ 0.965 multiplied by skim price, plus 3.5 multiplied by butterfat price.

4/ Announced for the month on or before the 5th of the following month.

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