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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS I AND II ADVANCED PRICES
AND PRICING FACTORS ^{1/ 7/}**

	<u>March 2003</u>
CLASS I PRICE^{2/}	\$ 12.81
Processor Assessment ^{3/}	\$.20
Total.....	\$ 13.01
Base Price (Class I mover).....	\$ 9.81
Skim Milk Price ^{4/}	\$ 9.04
Butterfat Price, per lb. ^{5/}	\$ 1.1674
CLASS II	
Skim Milk Price ^{6/}	\$ 6.74
Nonfat Solids Price, per lb.....	\$ 0.7489
ADVANCED CLASS III SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	\$ 5.90
ADVANCED CLASS IV SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	\$ 6.04
ADVANCED BUTTERFAT PRICING FACTOR, per lb.	\$ 1.1374

DAIRY PRODUCT AVERAGE PRICE QUOTATIONS

	<u>FEB 2003</u>	<u>JAN 2003</u>	<u>FEB 2002</u>
NASS WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES – TWO WEEKS			
CHEDDAR CHEESE, per lb.	\$ 1.1304	\$ 1.1358	\$ 1.2862
BUTTER, per lb.	1.0477	1.1099	1.2316
NONFAT DRY MILK, per lb.	0.8108	0.8287	0.9133
DRY WHEY, per lb.	0.1641	0.1787	0.2347

CLASS I PRICE ADJUSTMENTS FROM BASE DIFFERENTIAL – DALLAS COUNTY

Albuquerque	-\$0.65	El Paso	-\$0.75	Sulphur Springs, Winnsboro	\$0.00
Amarillo	-\$0.60	Floresville	+\$0.45	Tyler	\$0.00
Austin	+\$0.30	Houston, Conroe	+\$0.60	Waco	+\$0.15
Bryan	+\$0.30	Lubbock	-\$0.60		
Corpus Christi	+\$0.65	San Antonio	+\$0.45		

^{1/} United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. For further information contact John Rourke, 202/720-7461. Prices are dollars per 100 pounds (cwt.) unless otherwise indicated.

^{2/} The Class I price announced is per hundredweight at 3.5% butterfat at Dallas County location.

^{3/} 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.

^{4/} The Class I skim price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the higher of the advanced Class III or IV skim milk pricing factors plus \$3.00, subject to the adjustment for that location.

^{5/} The Class I butterfat price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the advanced butterfat pricing factor plus \$0.030 (\$3.00 divided by 100), subject to the adjustment for that location.

^{6/} The Class II skim price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the advanced Class IV skim milk pricing factor plus \$0.70.

^{7/} These prices were computed using the formulas in the U.S. District Court's preliminary injunction order dated January 31, 2001.

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