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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS I AND II ADVANCED PRICES
 AND PRICING FACTORS ^{1/ 6/}**

January 2018

CLASS I PRICE^{2/}	\$ 18.44
Processor Assessment ^{7/}	\$.20
Total	\$ 18.64
Base Price (Class I mover).....	\$ 15.44
Skim Milk Price ^{3/}	\$ 9.98
Butterfat Price, per lb. ^{4/}	\$ 2.5175
CLASS II	
Skim Milk Price ^{5/}	\$ 5.70
Nonfat Solids Price, per lb.....	\$ 0.6333
ADVANCED CLASS III SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	\$ 6.98
ADVANCED CLASS IV SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	\$ 5.00
ADVANCED BUTTERFAT PRICING FACTOR, per lb.	\$ \$2.4875

DAIRY PRODUCT AVERAGE PRICE QUOTATIONS

	<u>DEC 2017</u>	<u>NOV 2017</u>	<u>DEC 2016</u>
AMS WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES – TWO WEEKS			
CHEDDAR CHEESE, per lb.	\$1.6513	\$1.7641	\$1.8052
BUTTER, per lb.	2.2256	2.2636	2.1016
NONFAT DRY MILK, per lb.	0.7290	0.7563	0.9615
DRY WHEY, per lb.	0.2995	0.3561	0.3981

CLASS I PRICE ADJUSTMENTS FROM BASE DIFFERENTIAL – DALLAS COUNTY

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

- 1/ United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. 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 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.
- 4/ 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.
- 5/ The Class II skim price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the advanced Class IV skim milk pricing factor plus \$0.70.
- 6/ Equivalent Prices, computed pursuant to 7 CFR, Section 1000.54.
- 7/ The 20-cent per hundredweight processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR§1160.101 et seq.) imposed on any person who processes and markets commercially more than 3 million pounds of packaged fluid milk products on a monthly basis. Deliveries to consumer residences are excluded. Effective February 29, 2016, processors of certified “organic” and “100 percent organic” fluid milk products may apply for an organic assessment exemption for those products.

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