

Producers Co-Op Drives For Members

Consumer

Eastern Milk Producers Co-operative Assoc., a dairymen's bargaining agency with units in all principal marketing areas of the Northeast, has invited small, independent milk bargaining co-ops in Pennsylvania to merge with its 9,000 membership.

Among all Keystone State industries, dairy farming ranks second with an annual dollar value of \$327 million and total production of more than 7 billion pounds of milk.

In issuing its invitation, Eastern points out the many services afforded to members as well as increased bargaining strength. In particular, Eastern cites its low membership dues of only one cent per hundredweight, with no increase contemplated for Order #2 producers. Eastern is operated solely by and for milk producers, and guarantees its members markets for their milk.

One of the numerous serv-

(Continued from Page 1). immediately, and direction of warehouse examination functions will be transferred April 1.

During the 30 days following the announcement of the proposed reorganization, some communications were received that questioned the proposed reorganization on the grounds that the inspection function

ices offered by Eastern Milk Producers is its bulk-tank calibration truck. The Eastern truck checks producers' bulk milk tanks for calibration and weight accuracy. In many instances, bulk tanks have been found out of calibration and the producers receiving credit for less than actual weight of milk.

By helping to remedy these incorrect weights, Eastern has aided dairymen in receiving their rightful income. In some cases, farmers have even received adjustments for previous pickups of milk where calibration was incorrect.

should not be "separated" from "research, disease eradication, quarantine and similar activities."

Freeman stated that the reorganization will not affect the relationship of the inspection functions for meat or any other product to the supporting functions of research, nor to the related functions of disease and pest control, eradication, and quarantine.

The Secretary noted that the reorganization provides for the transfer of the inspection functions to a newly-appointed Deputy Administrator for Consumer Protection. Thus, the status of the inspection service as a function primarily designed for the protection of the American public is explicitly recognized. The same access to research and supporting facilities that has always prevailed will continue, Freeman claimed.

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In this county and the surrounding area served by this newspaper, dairy farming represents probably the largest single industry, with annual income reckoned in millions of dollars. As such, the hard-working people in this business contribute substantially to the well-being of this region's economy.

Looking after the interests of these dairy farmers — almost 9,000 of them — is the chief concern of EASTERN MILK PRODUCERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION. A bargaining organization operated solely by and for milk producers, EASTERN has an enviable record of action and accomplishment in behalf of its dairy farmer members. These EASTERN members can count on:

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