

# Order 2 milk prices announced

NEW YORK, N.Y. - A uniform farm price of \$10.30 per hundredweight (46.5 quarts) for September milk deliveries to pool handlers under the New York-New Jersey marketing orders was announced last week by Thomas A. Wilson, market administrator. The uniform price was \$10.22 in August 1976 and \$9.57 in September 1975.

The butterfat differential was 10.6 cents for each tenth of a pound of butterfat above

or below 3.5 per cent. The seasonal incentive fund (Louisville Plan) returned \$3,428,724.39 to the September 1976 pool. This added \$4.65 per hundredweight to producer prices.

Receipts from dairy producers totaled 737,203,134 pounds, 3.1 per cent or 21,826,312 pounds more than in September 1975, Wilson reported. Handlers utilized 386,309,162 pounds of these receipts or 52.4 per cent for fluid milk products (Class 1).

In September 1975 the Class 1 utilization percentage was 56.1. For September 1976, handlers paid \$11.11 for Class 1 milk compared with \$9.75 a year ago.

Wilson stated that receipts on bulk tank units were 716,218,613 pounds, up 28,256,264 pounds. He added that this was 97.2 per cent of the pool, compared to 96.2 a year ago.

A total of 347,325,427 pounds, or 48.5 per cent, of tank milk was used as Class

11 and was subject to the transportation credit which amounted to \$347,325.43.

Producers with tank milk numbered 18,276, a decrease of 1.5 per cent. The administrator said that the total number of producers in the pool was 19,337, a loss of 3.3 per cent. Average daily deliveries per producer rose 78 pounds to 1,271 pounds.

Pool bulk tank units decreased 13 to 186. Reports from 109 handlers were used to compute the pool. There

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - An authorization to purchase \$7.4 million worth of wheat under Public Law 480 was issued this month to Israel, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced.

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were 106 handlers with producer milk.

The gross value to dairy farmers of September milk deliveries was \$76,863,290.08. Wilson explained that this included differentials required to be paid to dairy farmers but not voluntary premiums or deductions authorized by the farmer.

All prices quoted are for milk of 3.5 per cent butterfat received within the 201-210 mile zone from New York City.

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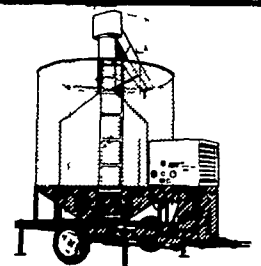
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