# Order 4 Base Milk Priced At \$12.46 For July

Atlantic Order Market Administrator Joseph D. Shine announced a July 1986 base milk price of \$12.46 per hundredweight and an excess milk price of \$11.01.

The weighted average July price was \$12.45 and the butterfat differential for the month was 16.5 cents. The base milk price was up 16 cents from June but was 13 cents lower than last July. The weighted average price was up 19 cents from June but was 6 cents lower than a year earlier. The gross value of

ALEXANDRIA, Va. - Middle July producer milk was \$65.0 million, unchanged from a year ago.

Shine said that producer receipts totaled 523.4 million pounds during July, an increase of 2.5 million pounds from last July, and the average daily delivery of 2,597 pounds per producer increased 69 pounds or 2.7 percent from a year earlier.

Class I producer milk totaled 238.4 million pounds and was up 13.3 million pounds or 5.9 percent from last July. Class I milk accounted for 45.54 percent of total producer milk receipts during the month, compared with 43.21 percent in July 1985. Base milk accounted for 92.43 percent of total producer milk receipts in July compared with 88.60 percent last year. The average butterfat test of producer milk was 3.51 percent, up from 3.49 percent last July. Middle Atlantic Order pool handlers reported Class I in-area

milk sales of 199.7 million pounds during July, an increase of 3.1 percent from a year earlier after adjustment to eliminate variation due to calendar composition.

## **Revised Slaughter Periods Announced**

in August as a result of contract modifications under the Dairy Termination Program, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced recently.

A total of 1,116 DTP participants with contracts to dispose of their dairy cattle in the first contract disposal period, April 1 to August 31, have modified their contracts opting for a later disposal period.

The original contracts called for the disposal of 153,523 cattle, consisting of 92,112 cows, 35,562

WASHINGTON, D.C. - About heifers and 25,849 calves. While modified their contracts, moving 57,000 fewer dairy cattle than in- some of these animals have dicated earlier will be slaughtered already been slaughtered or exported, producers intend to slaughter about 172,000 animals in August rather than the 229,000 indicated earlier.

Credit Corporation purchases of additional red meat totaled about 220 million pounds - 40 million pounds more than the quantity which is proportionate to the intended cattle slaughter through July.

In Pennsylvania, 44 producers

2,440 cows, 917 heifers and 687 calves from the first period to the second period. Moving into the third slaughter period was 217 cows, 74 heifers and 54 calves.

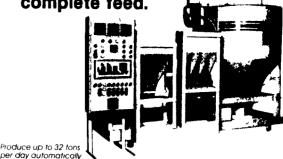
dicated earlier. Present slaughter intentions for Through July, Commodity the nation are: period one, 516,969 cows, 167,650 heifers, 147,645 calves for a total of 832,264 head; period two, 162,685 cows, 66,520 heifers, 66,680 calves for a total 295,885; and period three, 170,027 cows, 58,333 heifers, 57,274 calves for a total of 285,634 head. Planned export totals for all three period equal, 94,068 head.



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