Virginia Livestock **Auction Summary**

Richmond, Va. July 29, 2003

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA LIVE-

STOCK — Fredericksburg, Marshall, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Staunton, and Winchester for July 21-26. All prices per hundred pounds liveweight, except where

FEEDER CATTLE: 1,148 head (517 steers, 26 Holstein steers, 421 heifers, 184 bulls).

FEEDER STEERS. Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 105.00; 300-400 lb 101.00-107.00 few 85.00; 400-500 lb 86.50-103.00: 500-600 lb 84.50-101.00: 600-700 lb 84.00-97.00; 700-800 lb 79.50-87.50; 800-900 lb 79.00-85.00; 900-1000 lb 78.00-82.00. Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 81.00; 400-500 lb 78.00-86.00; 500-600 lb 80.00-85.00; 600-700 lb 74.00-83.00; 700-800 lb 71 00-77.00 Small 1: 700-800 lb 70.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 61.00; 400-500 lb 61.00-65.00; 500-600 lb 60.00-63.00; 700-800 lb 62.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS. Med/Lge 1: 200-300 lb 89.00; 300-400 lb 79.00-92.00; 400-500 lb 78 00-90.00; 500-600 lb 69.50-86 50; 700-800 lb 75 00. Med/l ge. 2 200-300 lb 89 00-90 00. 300-400 lb 71.00-90.00, 400-500 lb 69.50-82 00; 500-600 lb 68 50-86.00 few 60.00; 600-700 lb 65,00-73,50; 700-800 lb 70,50 Med./ Lge. 3: 400-500 lb 51.00-53.00; 600-700 lb 58.50. Small 1: 400-500 lb 64.00; 500-600 lb 70.00.

BULLS: Med./Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 95.00-108.00; 400-500 lb 85.00-97.00; 500-600 lb 80.00-90.00; 600-700 lb 71.00-77.50. Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 80.00-83.00; 400-500 lb 76.00-87.00; 500-600 lb 72.50-82.50; 600-700 lb 71.50-72.00. Med./Lge. 3: 500-600 lb 52.00. Small 1: 500-600 lb 70.50.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE 392 head (356 cows and 36 bulls).

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-805 lean 1200-1600 lbs 39.50-47.25, high yielding 45.75-49.50. Boners 80-85% lean 800-1200 lb 35.00-46.25, 1200-2000 lb 38.50-44.75, high yielding 44.25-49.00. Lean 85-90% lean 850 lbs/ under 28.00-37.75; 850 lbs/ over 31 50-46.50.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: YG 1-2, 900-1300 lb 47.25-56.00; 1300-1600 lbs 51.75-57.50; 1600 lbs/over 54.00-57.25 few 59.00-61.00.

BABY CALVES RE-TURNED TO FARMS: 94 head. Newborn to 4 Weeks 35.00-80.00 per head; over 100 lbs 65.00 per cwt. Holsteins: Bulls 80-100 lbs 20.00-105.00 per head; 100-130 lbs 90.00-109.00 per cwt., few 10.00-75.00 per

SHEEP: 134 (74 slaughter lambs, 31 feeder lambs, 29 slau iter ewes). SLAUGH-TER LAMBS: Spring Wooled: Choice and Prime 1-2, 80-110 lbs 88.00-89.75; 110-125 lbs 98.00. Good and few Choice 1-2, 60-90 lbs 76.50. Old Crop Wooled: Choice and Prime 1-2, 121 lbs 88.00. FEEDER LAMBS: Spring Wooled: Med./Lge. 1-2, 40-60 lbs 70.00; 60-90 lbs 70.00-90.00. Small and Med. 1-2, 60-90 lbs 75.00-85.00. SLAUGH-TER EWES: Choice 2-4, 24 00; Good 2-4, 28.00-33.00; Utility 1-3,

GOATS: 21 head, sold per head. NANNIES: Large 59.00; Medium 39.00-50.00.

HOGS: 58 head. BAR-ROWS AND GILTS: US 1-3, 200-250 lbs 37.00.

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CATTLE: 4507 head compared with 4007 head last week and 4880 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's summary, slaughter steers and heifers sold fully 1.00 higher this week while Holstein steers sold steady to 1.50 higher Slaughter cows sold very active, mostly 2.00 to 4.00 higher, while bulls sold steady to

STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 80.00-85.60, Choice 1-3 74.00-81.50, Select and Low Choice 2-3 75.25-78.50, Select 1-3 69.00-75.75, Standard 1-2 61.50-67.25.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 71.00-77.25, Choice 2-3 65.00-70.75, Select 1-2 58.50-66.00, Standard 1-2 52.50-55.00.

HEIFERS: Choice few Prime 2-4 72.00-78.00, few to 81.00, Select 1-3 67.0-72.00, Standard 1-2 55.00-66 50.

COWS. Breakers 75-80% lean 42.00-54.00, mostly 48.00-53 25, Boners 80-85% lean 39.00-49.00, mostly 41.50-46 25, Lean 85-90°c 35 00-42.75 Shells 34 00 and down.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1000-2500 lbs 54.00-61 75, Yield Grade 2 900-2400 lbs 47 00-55.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: SCARCE: STEERS: Medium and Large 1 400-600 lbs 70.00-107.50; Medium and Large 2 600-800 lbs 70.00-80.50. HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 77.00-87.00, 500-700 lbs 72.00-81.00. Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 69.00-81.00, 500-700 lbs 65.00-71.00; BULLS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 77.00-100.00, 500-700 lbs 74.00-80.00, Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 74.00-84.00.

CALVES: 3959 head compared with 3860 head last week and 3933 head a year ago. Vealers sold mostly 10.00 lower on an increased supply. VEALERS: Standard and Good 70-120 lbs 22.00-40.00, Utility 50-100 lbs 10.00-25.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bull calves sold mostly 15.00 to 20.00 lower while Holstein heifers sold steady to firm. No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 105.00-150.00, early sales to 170.00. No 2 80-120 lbs 65.00-110.00. No 1 Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 300.00-530.00, No 2 70-120 lbs 135 00-280.00 Beef type bulls and heifers 75-130 lbs 70.00-140 00.

HOGS. 791 head compared with 997 head last week and 1348 head a year ago. Barrows and gifts sold mostly 3.00 to 4.00 higher while sows traded very uneven Light sows sold 2.00 lower while heavy sows sold 1.00 to 2.00 higher BARROWS AND GILTS. 49-54% lean 220-275 lbs 44.00-48.00, 45-50% lean 220-275 lbs 40.00-43.00, 40-45% lean 220-300 lbs 37.00-40.75. SOWS: 1-3 300-500 lbs 25.00-33.00. 500-700 lbs 34.00-40.00. BOARS: 7.00-12.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 116 head compared with 82 head last week and 210 head a year ago. US 1-3 20-40 lbs 23.00-37.00, 40-65 lbs 40.00-57.50. - per head.

SHEEP: 1791 head compared with 1509 head last week and 1399 head a year ago. Slaughter lambs sold 10.00 to 15.00 lower while slaughter sheep sold firm. SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 30-50 lbs 85.00-118.00, 50-80 lbs 96.00-116.00, 80-100 lbs 97.00-116.00, 100-125 lbs 90.00-101.00, Good and Choice 30-60 lbs 70.00-92.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 26.00-58.00, yearlings to 70.00.

TWO GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES: 953 head compared with 308 head last week and 195 head a year ago. Feeder pigs sold active and firm Slaughter pigs sold firm to 20.00 higher except for 20-25 pounds which sold sharply lower, US 1-2 30-50 lbs 86 00-93.00, 50-70 lbs 72.00-83.00, 70-90 lbs 66.00-80.00. US 2 40-60 lbs 70.00-87.00, 60-85 lbs 62.00-87.00. SLAUGHTER: 20-25 lbs 52.00-55.00, 30-40 lbs 115.00-120.00, 40-65 lbs 55.00-70.00, one lot 120.00, 70-75 lbs 105.00. - per cwt.

Tri-State Weekly Feeder Cattle Sale

Richmond, Va. July 28, 2003

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WEEKLY AUCTION at Tri-State, July 21 — FEEDER CATTLE: 791 head (Steers 300, Holstein Steers 9, Heifers 390, Bulls 92). Prices per cwt., based on out weights.

FEEDER STEERS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 114.00-118.00; 300-400 lb 90.00-104.00; 400-500 lb 95.00-107.00; 500-600 lb 88.50-103.00; 600-700 lb 89.00-98.00: 700-800 lb 85.50-88.50: 800-900 lb 77.00-83.75; 900-1000 lb 70.00-74.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Med./Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 63.00; 300-500 lb 69.00-71.00; 700-900 lb 65.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 92.00-102.00; 300-400 lb 90.00-96.00: 400-500 lb 84.00-94.00: 500-600 lb 87.50-90.50, few 77.00-87.00; 600-700 lb 83.50-89.00; 700-800 lb 77.00-83.50; 800-900 lb 75.00-87.50.

FEEDER BUILS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 106 00-121.00; 300-400 lb 96.00-113.00; 400-500 lb 85.00-85.00-107.00; 500-600 lb 85 00-90.00; 600-700 lb 76.00-84.50; 700-900 lb 74.00-79.00.

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