

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Agricultural Marketing Service**

[Docket No. DA-98-06]

Milk in the New England and Other Marketing Areas; Determination of Equivalent Grade A Butter Price Series**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.**ACTION:** Determination of equivalent price series.

SUMMARY: This document announces that the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) Grade AA Butter Spot Call for the month minus 9 cents is an equivalent butter price alternative for use in computing the butterfat differential and the Basic Formula Price (BFP) which are used to establish minimum class prices in all Federal milk marketing orders. The CME announced that trading of Grade A and Grade B butter in the Butter Spot Call contract will be suspended effective June 26, 1998. The CME Grade A butter price currently is used to establish milk prices under Federal orders. The establishment of an equivalent Grade A butter price series is essential to the continuing operation of the Federal order program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 26, 1998.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document provides an equivalent butter price series for calculation of the butterfat differential and the BFP which are used to derive milk prices in all Federal milk marketing orders (7 CFR Parts 1001, 1002, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1012, 1013, 1030, 1032, 1033, 1036, 1040, 1044, 1046, 1049, 1050, 1064, 1065, 1068, 1076, 1079, 1106, 1124, 1126, 1131, 1134, 1135, 1137, 1138, and 1139). Currently, the CME Grade A butter price series is used to establish values for the butterfat differential and the BFP which are used to compute minimum class prices in all Federal milk marketing orders. The new butter price series is essential to the continuing operation of the Federal order program.

The final CME Grade A butter price will be announced on June 19, 1998, and this price will be used until June 25. However, a new equivalent price series needs to be effective June 26, 1998, to compute the butterfat differential and the BFP for the month

of June and subsequent months. For the month of June, the butterfat differential and the BFP will be computed by using a simple average of the CME Grade A butter prices for the first 25 days (June 1 through June 25) and the CME Grade AA butter prices minus 9 cents for the last 5 days (June 26 to June 30). The June butterfat differential and BFP will be announced on July 2, 1998. Thereafter, on or before the 5th day of each month, a simple average of the CME Grade AA butter prices less 9 cents will be used to compute the butterfat differential and the BFP for the preceding month.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674), and the applicable provisions of the orders, as amended, regulating the handling of milk in the aforesaid marketing areas, it is hereby found and determined that:

(1) The CME announced that trading on Grade A and Grade B butter in the Butter Spot Call contract will be suspended effective June 26, 1998.

(2) The absolute level of the CME Grade A butter price is needed to determine the value of the butterfat differential and the month-to-month change in the price level is used in the product price formula update component of the BFP.

(3) Each order provides that if for any reason a price or pricing constituent required by the order for computing class prices or for other purposes is not available as prescribed in the order, the market administrator shall use a price or pricing constituent determined by the Secretary to be equivalent to the price or pricing constituent that is required.

(4) The International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA) requested that the CME Grade AA Butter Spot Call for the month less 9 cents be used as an equivalent Grade A butter price. IDFA suggested that the equivalent butter price series become effective June 5, 1998, or as soon as possible. Agri-Mark Dairy Cooperative submitted a comment letter supporting IDFA's request and the recommended effective date. In addition, Michigan Milk Producers Association suggested that the CME Grade AA butter price less 9 cents or the formula (i.e., Grade AA butter price—.1342/.82) proposed by National Milk Producers Federation for Federal Order Reform be used as the equivalent butter price replacement.

(5) The CME Grade AA butter price for the month less 9 cents should be used as an equivalent price for the purposes of establishing minimum prices under all Federal orders. The new butter price series is expected to yield

a price generally equal to the suspended price series. However, in regards to IDFA's suggested effective date, the proper exercise of the Department's authority would require that the Secretary issue an equivalent price determination with an effective date only after the June 26 suspension of Grade A butter trading on the CME.

(6) The final CME Grade A butter price will be announced on June 19, 1998, and that price will be applicable until June 25. Therefore, for the month of June, the butterfat differential and the BFP will be computed by using a simple average of the CME Grade A butter prices for the first 25 days (June 1 through June 25) and the CME Grade AA butter prices minus 9 cents for the last 5 days (June 26 to June 30). These prices will be announced on July 2, 1998. Thereafter, on or before the 5th of each month, the new equivalent price series will be used to compute the butterfat differential and the BFP for the preceding month.

(7) In conclusion, the Department has determined that the CME Grade AA Butter Spot Call for the month less 9 cents is an equivalent Grade A butter price for the purposes of computing the butterfat differential and the BFP which are used to establish milk prices under all Federal milk orders. The new equivalent butter price series will be effective June 26, 1998.

Dated: June 26, 1998.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601-674.**Isi A. Siddiqui,***Acting Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs.*

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****California Coast Province Advisory Committee (PAC)****AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The California Coast Province Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on July 16 and 17, 1998, at the Pt. Reyes National Seashore Administration Building Main Conference Room in Olema, CA. The meeting will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. July 16 and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 17. The Pt. Reyes National Seashore Administration Building is located at #1 Bear Valley Road in Olema. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Status of 2 PAC letters; (2) Status of Aquatic/Riparian Monitoring Team; (3) New National

Wildland Fire Policy as it relates to air quality; (4) Field trip at the Pt. Reyes National Seashore; (5) Subcommittee reports and recommendations (Coho, Public/Private/Tribal Partnership Opportunities, Work on the Ground, Recreation/Tourism, PAC/Scert, Monitoring); (6) Agencies' feedback on implementing the Coho Subcommittee roads resolution; (7) Joint 3 PAC meeting follow-up on priority action items identified at the May 28-29 PAC meeting; (8) PAC updates; and (9) Open public forum. All California Coast Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct questions regarding this meeting to Daniel Chisholm, USDA, Forest Supervisor, Mendocino National Forest, 825 N. Humboldt Avenue, Willows, CA 95988, (530) 934-3316 or Phebe Brown, Province Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, 825 N. Humboldt Avenue, Willows, CA 95988, (530) 934-3316.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Daniel K. Chisholm,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Southwest Oregon Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Southwest Oregon PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on July 14, 1998 at the Diamond Lake Resort at Diamond Lake in Douglas County, Oregon.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 5:00 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Review of committee operating guides; (2) a proposal for course woody material management; (3) Province Interagency Executive Committee action on the Advisory Committee's recommendation on issues to work on over the next year; (4) local issue presentation by Umpqua National Forest and Roseburg Bureau of Land Management; (5) Subcommittee reports; and (7) public comment. All Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct questions regarding this meeting to Chuck Anderson, Province Advisory Committee staff, USDA, Forest Service,

Rogue River National Forest, 333 W. 8th Street, Medford, Oregon 97501, phone 541-858-2322.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Charles J. Anderson,
Acting Forest Supervisor, Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Deposting of Stockyards

Notice is hereby given, that the livestock markets named herein, originally posted on the dates specified below as being subject to the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*), no longer comes within the definition of a stockyard under the Act and are therefore, no longer subject to the provisions of the Act.

Facility No., name, and location of stockyard	Date of posting
GA-153, Coosa Valley Livestock Market, Inc., Rome, Georgia.	May 20, 1959.
UT-117, Parker Sales, Logan, Utah.	June 18, 1992.

This notice is in the nature of a change relieving a restriction and, thus, may be made effective in less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register** without prior notice or other public procedure. This notice is given pursuant to section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202) and is effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Done at Washington, DC, 22nd day of June 1998.

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,
Director Office of Policy/Litigation Support
Packers and Stockyards Programs.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance

Board (Access Board) has scheduled its regular business meetings to take place in Washington, D.C. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, July 13-15, 1998 at the times and location noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, July 13, 1998

9:00 a.m.–Noon and 1:30–4:00 p.m.
Committee of the Whole—
Accessibility Guidelines (Closed Meeting).

Tuesday, July 14, 1998

9:30 a.m.–Noon Committee of the Whole—Accessibility Guidelines (Closed Meeting).

1:30–4:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole—Detectable Warnings and over-the-Road Buses, Final Rules (Closed Meeting).

Wednesday, July 15, 1998

9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m. Planning and Budget Committee

10:30 a.m.–Noon Technical Programs Committee

1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. Board Meeting

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at: Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW., Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, (202) 272-5434, ext. 14 (voice) and (202) 272-5449 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items. Specific voting items are noted next to each committee report.

Open Meeting

- Executive Director's Report.
- Approval of the Minutes of the May 13, 1998 Board Meeting.
- Planning and Budget Committee Report—Fiscal Year 1998 Spending Plan Revision.
- Technical Programs Committee Report—Status Report on Fiscal Year 1997 and 1998 Research Projects, and Discussion of Research Objectives and Direction.

Closed Meeting

- Committee of the Whole Reports—Accessibility Guidelines; Suspension of Requirements for Detectable Warnings, Final Rule; and Accessibility Requirements for Over-the-Road Buses, Final Rule.

All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. Sign language