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To: Handlers, Federal Orders 124 and 131

From: Market Administrator, Bothell, Washington

Subject: Expiration of Dairy Forward Pricing Pilot Program

The legislation authorizing the Dairy Forward Pricing Pilot Program, also known as “forward contracting,” expired on December 31, 2004. Handlers with milk under forward contracts beyond December 31, 2004, will not be exempt from paying minimum Federal order prices to producers or cooperatives for producer milk received after that date.

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