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My wife Deborah and I have been in business for 23 years. We started with a very small herd, doing all the work ourselves while raising 3 kids. Through many ups and downs not unlike the last few years, we have been able to grow a lot and today we have 17 fulltime employees. The dairy has been good to us. Don't get me wrong; the down years can be very stressful. BUT a floor price would keep marginal dairies in business, which would raise consumer prices and would be counter productive to the long-term viability of the dairy business to compete on a world market. It would also make it harder for young dairymen to get started, all the same problems Canada has with its base/floor program. A program like this will help some dairymen stay in business while hurting the vast majority. I am not for this program.

Sincerely,

Don Moreda Junior