



April 6, 2006

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Prior to the Pre-Hearing Workshop to be held May 18, 2006, the following data was requested as information relevant to the June 1, 2006 hearing. The following tables are the response to the request:

**Production of Skim Whey Powder (SWP~13% Protein) and
Whey Protein Concentrates (WPC 34% to 92% Protein),
Million Pounds, California and U.S., 1989-2004**

Year	US SWP	CA SWP	CA %	WPC	CA WPC	CA %
1989	882	28	3.2%	117	4	3.7%
1990	953	25	2.6%	140	10	6.8%
1991	989	66	6.7%	152	20	13.0%
1992	1054	65	6.1%	162	12	7.7%
1993	1049	63	6.0%	153	20	13.0%
1994	1019	66	6.5%	158	25	15.6%
1995	1030	67	6.6%	260	34	12.9%
1996	1045	75	7.2%	215	46	21.2%
1997	1077	113	10.5%	228	46	20.1%
1998	1095	116	10.6%	266	74	27.7%
1999	1067	120	11.2%	316	88	27.8%
2000	1105	134	12.1%	290	95	32.8%
2001	979	139	14.3%	275	94	34.1%
2002	1041	151	14.5%	288	103	35.8%
2003	992	130	13.1%	298	117	39.3%
2004	949	118	12.4%	299	119	39.8%

**California Yield and Vat Information
Separately for Block and Barrel Cheddar Cheese Plants
January-December 2003; January-December 2004**

	Finished Moisture	Vat Fat	Vat SNF	Yield (lbs./cwt.)
January-December 2003				
Six Block Plants	37.98%	3.88%	8.85%	10.90
Three Barrel Style Plants	35.45%	4.06%	9.16%	10.97
All Nine Plants	37.12%	3.94%	8.95%	10.92
January-December 2004				
Four Block Plants	39.26%	3.94%	8.95%	10.89
Three Barrel Style Plants	34.76%	4.17%	9.28%	11.49
All Seven Plants	37.84%	4.02%	9.05%	11.08

**Increases in the yield percentages compared to previous years, mostly reflect fortification.*



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If you have any questions regarding the data, please contact Tom Gossard or Venetta Reed at the telephone number listed above.

Sincerely,

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