

**ORDER ABOUT THE MILK PRODUCERS SECURITY TRUST FUND  
ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT TO BE PAID  
UNDER CHAPTER 2.5, PART 3, DIVISION 21 OF THE  
CALIFORNIA FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE**

**WHEREAS**, Division 21, Part 3, Chapter 2.5, Section 62506 of the Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) of the State of California created the Milk Producers Security Trust Fund (MPSTF) in California; and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 62660 of the FAC provides for an administration assessment to cover the cost of administering the MPSTF; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department desires to set the assessment rate for the program at a level that will reduce the current reserve level; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPSTF Board (the Board) met on February 5, 2026 and concurred with the Department's recommendation to evaluate the administrative assessment rate in April; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPSTF Administrative Assessment rate has been \$0.00 since 2024, and a recent review by the Department of the MPSTF's Administrative fund determined that there is no need to modify the existing Administrative assessment rate of \$0.00 to continue operations; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby ordered that pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 2.5, Part 3, Division 21 of the Food and Agriculture Code, the MPSTF administration assessment rate remain suspended effective May 1, 2026, and that the suspension remain in place until modified by the Department.

By:

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Kathy Diaz, Director  
Marketing Services Division

May 29, 2026  
Date