

Commission Meeting Held February 23, 2011

Minutes of the meeting of the Commission, held at the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Oliver Hill Building, in room 220, Richmond, Virginia.

THE COMMISSION:

PRESENT: Fred Calvert, Chairperson; Laura Wood Habr, Commissioner; Kenneth Smith, Commissioner, Rodney L. Phillips, Administrator; Shella Tillery, Administrative Assistant; Allen O'Hara, Maryland & VA; Michael Myatt, Cooperative M.P.A. and Dirk Holcomb; Dairy Auditor II.

Absent:

Judy Barnard
John Beasley
Christine Mislak
Susan Stanley

Fred Calvert called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Fred Calvert asked if there were additions or corrections to the previously distributed December minutes Kenneth Smith so moved and Laura Wood Habr seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.

The Administrator presented and discussed the 2011 base allotments. Having considered all factors relative to the establishment of the 2011 base allotments, upon a motion by Kenneth Smith and seconded by Laura Wood Habr, the Commission approved all established bases for 2011 would be 75,711,435 pounds (in accordance with 2 VAC 15-20-40. A1-5), in that the 2011 bases do not exceed 1.08% of the average monthly pounds of Class I sales, with the exception of those producers who lost base or recovered base during the base-adjusting period of September, October and November 2010. The bases of existing producers will be adjusted on March 1, 2011, to include base loss and base recovered. The total base recovered from the 2009 base adjusting period was 120,496 and the total base loss due to failure to produce sufficient production during 2010 base-adjusting period was 206,449 pounds. The base recovered and base loss will bring the total established 2011 base to 106.598158% of the preceding year's average 9 month Class I sales, in the amount of 71,025,088 pounds. The amount of base for the months of June, July and August shall be equal to 94% of the established base for the remaining months of the year. The 2011 base allotments, in total by cooperatives, as listed below, are therefore established for the existing baseholding producers, effective March 1, 2011:

	<u>2011 Base</u>
	<u>9 Month</u>
Cooperative Milk Producers Association	16,759,813
Cumberland Valley M.P.A.	180,900
Dairy Farmers of America, Inc., Southeast	32,547,691
Dairy Farmers of America, Inc., Northeast	296,728
Land O'Lakes, Inc.	933,865
Maryland & Virginia Milk Producers Association	24,874,269
Mount Joy Farmers Cooperative	<u>118,169</u>
	75,711,435

The Administrator gave a review of Class I sales summary and adjacent market prices.

The next Commission meeting will be held at the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Oliver Hill Building, 102 Governor Street Richmond, Virginia in room 220, May 18, 2010, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson

Administrator