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SaskMilk Introduces New General Manager

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The SaskMilk Board of Directors is pleased to announce our new General Manager, Peter J. Brown, P. Ag., who will be starting his position with us on April 3rd. Producers will be able to meet Peter at the Spring Producer meetings.

Peter was born and raised on a crop and hog farm in Lambton country, Ontario, and has continued to work in and around agriculture for the entirety of his career. He has been active in 4-H since his youth as a member and Leader and, later, as a 4-H program liaison through the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) and as a trustee on the Ontario 4-H Foundation, where he held the roles of Vice-Chair and Chair. Peter has worked as a Farm Management Specialist with OMAFRA, and has spent many years in agricultural banking, working with the full range of sizes of farm operations in progressively senior management positions.

Peter brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in leadership, governance, and management, and expertise in working with boards, government, and staff. We are eager to welcome Peter, his wife, and their two daughters to Saskatchewan.

The Board and staff are looking forward to working with Peter as the Saskatchewan dairy industry moves forward into an exciting new phase of modernization and growth.

Growing Forward 2 Programs provide Opportunities for your Operation

Adapted by Kerry Lowndes, PAg, South Sask River AEGP technician

From article by Sarah Sommerfeld, PAg, Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture

For many producers across the province, the 2016 growing season has posed many challenges. There is still much work left to do, but producers may also be focusing their attention to planning for the 2017 season. Plans may include development of a new water source, improving manure management or managing agriculture plastics. For these types of on-farm projects, producers can access cost-shared funding through the Growing Forward 2 framework of agriculture programs funded by the Federal and Provincial Governments. The Growing Forward 2 agriculture policy framework will be ending on March 31, 2018. With that date in mind, there are deadlines to be aware of with respect to the different funding programs available.

The Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program (FRWIP) provides cost-shared funding to help develop secure water sources. These water sources include dugouts, large or small diameter wells, and increasing irrigated acres. FRWIP applications must be received by August 1, 2017. All claim forms for approved projects must be submitted by February 15, 2018.

The Farm Stewardship Program (FSP) provides eligible producers with financial assistance to implement beneficial management practices (BMPs). When applying to the FSP, two types of program applications exist - pre-approval or rebate. Pre-approval applications require that projects must receive prior approval before any work starts. Rebate applications do not require pre-approval, and the program application can be submitted once the project is complete. **FSP pre-approval applications must be received by June 30, 2017.** All claim forms for approved projects and all rebate applications must be received by January 31, 2018.

For producers wanting to improve manure management, two BMPs exist. The *Manure Storage Enhancement BMP* and *Manure Application Equipment & Technologies BMP*. The FSP will cover 30 per cent of the eligible costs up to a maximum of \$50,000 and \$30,000 respectively for implementing these BMPs. Producers looking to recycle agricultural plastics can apply for the *Plastic Grain Bag Roller BMP*. Cost-shared funding is available to cover 50 per cent of the eligible costs up to a maximum of \$5,000.

For further information on Growing Forward 2 programs or for technical assistance regarding a specific on-farm project, contact your local Regional Forage Specialist, or your Agri-Environmental Group Plan technician working within your watershed. In the South Saskatchewan River Watershed your technicians are Leah Tallis (306-291-7499) and Kerry Lowndes (306-460-4987). Info is also available from the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377 or Program Design and Delivery Branch at 1-877-869-4008.

COMPONENT AND QUALITY TESTING

Effective April 1, 2017 we will no longer be faxing out component and quality test results to producers who do not have internet access.

If you will be affected by this, please contact:

Deb Haupstein 306-721-9486 to discuss.

TRACEABILITY - NLID TAGS

For farms that currently use herd management tags and want to switch over to using NLID tags here is some important information:

You can order tags by:

- 1. Online through your HAC web account
- 2. Calling NLID at 1-877-771-6543
- 3. Print and complete the NLID Order form and mail/fax back to:
 - o NLID
 - Box 2065
 - o Brantford, Ontario
 - N3T 5W5
 - Fax: 519-756-3502

You do not need to be a Holstein Canada member in order to order tags but you will need to set up an account. There are a variety of tag options to choose from. Talk to the customer service representative to determine the tag that will best suit your farm.

Remember that effective Sept 2017 it will be a requirement that heifer calves are tagged using NLID tags. If you have questions or require further information contact Deb Haupstein at: deb.haupstein@saskmilk.ca 306-721-9486

WANTED: HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES AND STEERS





CONSISTENT TWICE A WEEK BABY CALF PICK-UP WITH PROMPT PAYMENT COMPETITIVE PRICES WE ALSO BUY AND PICK UP CULL COWS LICENSED AND BONDED CATTLE BUYER William Klok 403 894 9587



Do cows sleep inside? What do pigs eat? How many kernels of wheat are in a loaf of bread?

Kids today have questions about farming – help us answer them!

Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month is an initiative of Agriculture in the Classroom Canada to raise student awareness about Canadian agriculture by providing positive and realistic messages from the industry and producers.

Agriculture in the Classroom Saskatchewan (AITC-SK) helps students **learn** about, **connect** with, and **understand** agriculture. We invite anyone involved in agriculture to participate in Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month. Volunteers are needed to spend 45 minutes in a grade 3-5 classroom to share your passion and personal agriculture story.

Last year, over 4000 students learned more about agriculture by participating in Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month – help us reach even more students this year!

Register to visit a classroom today at <u>www.aitc.sk.ca</u> or contact Gabrielle Edwards at <u>gedwards@aitc.sk.ca</u> for more information.

2017 CALM is Proudly Sponsored by:





Agriculture in the Classroom Connecting Kids and Agriculture





If You Can't Ship It - Test It!

BSE surveillance is still important and every animal tested makes a difference.

Support your cattle industry by having your 4-D (dead, diseased, dying or downer) cattle tested for BSE.

For more information, call the Canadian Food Inspection Agency at 1-877-727-5273.

ADF Milking's Automatic Dipping and Flushing Milking System

We are delighted to announce the availability in Canada of the award-winning ADF Automatic Dipping and Flushing system via a network of dealerships across the country. The first ADF system to be installed in Canada was in Ontario back in 2009, since then the Automatic Dipping and Flushing system has grown to be a must have piece of milking parlor equipment, with many farms across Canada and more than 1300 farms across 26 countries milking with the ADF Automatic Dipping and Flushing system.

The ADF system applies dip to cows' teats immediately after milking. With consistent teat coverage the ADF system prevents residue and bacteria from being drawn up the teat canal, which is a major cause of mastitis. The cluster is removed and the ADF system thoroughly sanitises each teat cup with six cycles of sanitised water and compressed air, ensuring every cow is milked with a clean and sanitised liner, controlling cross contamination of mastitis.

Independent studies have demonstrated that use of the ADF system can generate significant savings in labor costs with increased parlor throughput and less time spent on repetitive, manual tasks. Even more impressive benefits can be seen from the dipping and flushing processes leading to fewer cases of mastitis and lower somatic cell counts.



The Benefits of Automatic Dipping and Flushing

- 1. Save money by reducing labor and vets bills whilst improving milk yield
- 2. Save time by automatically dipping the teats and flushing the cluster
- 3. Reduce mastitis and improve the health of your herd
- 4. Compatible with all milking systems (excluding tie stalls) to optimise your farm equipment
- 5. Improve cow throughput, reducing stress for you and your herd

Dairy Farmers across Canada are Milking with the ADF System

Henk Pastink of the Henria Holsteins installed the ADF system back in 2010 to reduce labor and time spent in the milking parlor:



"The ADF system is really working for us. We installed back in 2010 with the aim to reduce labor milking our herd of 600 cows; automatically dipping and flushing has sped up time in the parlor so we're now milking up to 300 cows per hour, two times per day. We've maintained low cell counts and as a result, we treat far fewer cows for mastitis and keep our vets bills low."

See ADF in Action

See live demonstrations of the ADF system at numerous events throughout 2017 including the Lethbridge AG expo ($1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ March, AB), the Atlantic Farm Mechanisation show ($9^{th} - 11^{th}$ March, NB), the Agrai-Dairy Mart Rosehill Farms open house (16^{th} March, AB) and the Canadian Dairy Expo ($5^{th} - 6^{th}$ April, ON).

Contact ADF Milking

For more information about the ADF system and a farm visit with personalised quotation to find out how much automatic dipping and flushing will save you, please contact ADF Milking Canada Inc. President Michael Armstrong on **647-849-3426**. More information can be found on the ADF milking website, www.adfmilking.com.



SaskMilk Upcoming Promotional Events*

(*we are participating in or have sponsored)

| February 19 - 20 | Snow Globe distributing free Chocolate Milk at Waskimo – Regina |
|------------------|---|
| March 17 | Regina Teachers Conference – Regina |
| March 18 | Saskatchewan Science Centre Fantasy Food – Regina |
| March 17 – 18 | Saskatchewan High School Wrestling Championships – Warman |
| March 23 – 25 | Saskatchewan High School Basketball Championship, Hoopla – Regina |
| April 8 | Ag In The City, Lawson Heights Mall – Saskatoon |
| April 26 – 27 | Prince Albert Ag Ed – Prince Albert |
| May 10 | Saskatchewan Physical Education Association – Saskatoon |
| May 13 | Saskatchewan High School Badminton Championship - Weyburn |

IGA Donated Over 7,000 litres of Milk to Schools

By Robyn Tocker, Reporter, White City Star (Reprinted with Permission)

When IGA opened in Emerald Park in the summer, owners Joan and Wayne Zook pledged to donate 1,000 litres of Lucerne milk to schools in the White Butte area. Through matching donations, IGA donated over 7,000 litres to six schools and two daycares.

Joan Zook said they weren't sure what schools would participate in the beginning, since the grand opening occurred when the schools were closed. "We contacted schools and they agreed and said 'Absolutely! We would love to accept milk from you," she said. "We ran that program for a month. Every time a customer purchased a four-litre jug of milk, we matched it. At the end of September, we had an abundance of milk – thousands and thousands of litres of milk – which we took into the classrooms in 250 ml (containers)."

The schools gave IGA the number of containers required along with flavours and IGA provided. They donated to Balgonie Elementary School first on Oct. 31. The other schools to receive milk were: McLean School, Pilot Butte School, Edenwold School, Emerald Ridge Elementary and École White City School. Emerald Park Daycare and Balgonie Early Learning Centre also received milk.

"École White City School was totally white milk. Some of the other schools went back and forth between chocolate milk and white milk," she said. "The majority of the milk was distributed through November right up until the end of 2016."

Zook said they wanted to "take the calcium into the classroom" and promote health drinking and eating. "It's important to make sure we're offering healthy fruits and vegetables," she said. "When children come into our store over by the bananas, they help themselves to a free banana."

"Mondays were a big milk delivery day where Wayne would leave here and load up the truck and hit all the schools. He would drive to Edenwold and McLean. I think especially some of the outlying areas, I think they were very excited to partner up with us," she said. "It's pretty cool because the kids would come into the store and a little boy the other day was looking for his thank you card that he done up (for us). Many children will say, 'There's the lady that brought us milk!""

Some of the milk donated tied into some of the schools' hot lunch program. "We were covering some of the cost," Zook said. "Some of the schools would still charge for the milk but the excess funds would go into their fund for future healthy eating."

The milk donation was part of IGA's grand opening and Zook said they have other events planned for 2017.

Who should I call?

Who at the SaskMilk office should producers call? Here's a handy guide!

| Fo | who at the Saskmirk office should producers ca | Call | At |
|-------------|---|------------------|--------------|
| AAA | Sponsorship Requests Donation Requests Dairyanna's Costume and Events | Anita Medl | 306-721-9483 |
|))) | School Milk Program Nutrition Resource Ordering | Bev Eckert | 306-721-9490 |
| AAAAAAAA | Quota Exchange and Private Quota Transfers Transfer Credits Security Applications Estimates for production Name Changes Designation of Signing Authority Monthly production numbers for producers Producer information for lending institutions Passwords for quota management sheet access | Bev Solie | 306-721-9488 |
| ≻ | Dairy Conference | Darlene Weighill | 306-721-9491 |
| A AAAA | On Farm- licensing, facilities, equipment, driveways, yards, animal care Lab testing results Bulk truck drivers- licensing, complaints/issues Bulk tank calibrations Pro Action- Food Safety (CQM), Animal Care, Traceability, Biosecurity, Environment | Deb Haupstein | 306-721-9486 |
| AAA | Producer statements Banking info for direct deposit of milk pay Milk pick-up issues –variances in volumes, planning to quit shipping, etc. | Dianne Cardinal | 306-721-9489 |
| > | Monthly milk prices paid to producers Provincial & National production updates | Doug Miller | 306-721-9485 |
| ΑΑΑ | Adding, editing information on Producer Transfer Credit List Newsletter advertising Updating email/fax information for producer notices/send outs | Jenn Buehler | 306-721-9492 |
| A AAAA | Media or news stories <i>or</i> if you have been contacted by any media agency or reporter Social media enquiries (twitter etc.) Trade agreements, international trade updates DEAP policy/program enquiries Website enquiries | Joy Smith | 306-721-9482 |

QUOTA EXCHANGE

The market-clearing price established for the February 2017 Quota Exchange was \$31,000.00

The next Quota Exchange will be held on **March 15, 2017**. All offers to sell and bids to purchase quota through the Quota Exchange must be received at the SaskMilk office by midnight, **March 6, 2017**. SaskMilk recommends that offers and bids be submitted well in advance of the deadline date to ensure adequate time for corrections, if necessary.

When making bids on the Quota Exchange, the price on offers to sell quota is the minimum price that the producer is prepared to accept for that quota. Only if the market-clearing price is equal to or greater than the producer's minimum price will that producer qualify for participation in the Exchange. Conversely, the price on offers to purchase quota is the maximum price that the producer is prepared to pay for that quota. Only if the market-clearing price is equal to or less than the producer's maximum price will that producer qualify for participation in the Exchange. The clearing price is set at the price where the smallest difference exists between the accumulated volume offered for sale and the accumulated volume bid to purchase. The results of the Quota Exchange are outlined in the following Table.

FEBRUARY 2017 QUOTA EXCHANGE RESULTS SUMMARY

| Market Clearing Price per kilogram of butterfat | \$ 31,000.00 | |
|---|--------------|--|
| Daily Kilograms offered to Purchase | 10.00 | |
| Kilograms offered to Sell | 22.36 | |
| Kilograms sold | 10.00 | |
| Number of Producers | | |
| - offered to purchase | 1 | |
| - purchased quota | 1 | |
| - offered to sell | 6 | |
| - sold quota | 4 | |

Price (\$/daily Cumulative Cumulative No. of Daily Cumulative Cumulative Daily Cumulative No. of kg b.f.) Sellers Sellers Kgs b.f. sales Sales less purchases Kgs b.f. bidders buyers offered to offered Cumulative for sale purchases purchase -7.40 \$30,500.00 1 1 2.60 2.60 10.00 0.00 1 0 3 4 \$31.000.00 14.00 16.60 6.60 10.00 0.00 1 0 \$31,200.00 0 4 0.00 16.60 6.60 10.00 10.00 1 1 \$32,000.00 2 5.76 6 22.36 22.36 0.00 0.00 0 0

FEBRUARY 2017 QUOTA EXCHANGE CLEARING PRICE RESULTS

* Please contact Bev Solie at 306-949-6999 for inquiries dealing with quota management sheets, the Quota Exchange, for transfer credits, or with any other quota transactions.

TRANSFER CREDIT SUMMARY REPORT

| MONTH | # OF PRODUCERS TRANSFER IN | # OF PRODUCERS TRANSFER OUT | TOTAL KGS BUTTERFAT |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| January, 2016 | 15 | 12 | 24,251 |
| February | 21 | 22 | 16,504 |
| March | 13 | 11 | 9,444 |
| April | 21 | 19 | 21,711 |
| May | 16 | 12 | 12,695 |
| June | 13 | 11 | 16,170 |
| July | 23 | 18 | 19,214 |
| August | 19 | 17 | 17,923 |
| September | 21 | 21 | 26,026 |
| October | 20 | 20 | 29,340 |
| November | 21 | 20 | 20,858 |
| December | 18 | 21 | 25,158 |
| January, 2017 | 18 | 20 | 18,475 |

PRIVATE TRANSFERS PROCESSED

| MONTH | DAILY KILOGRAMS |
|----------|-----------------|
| Feb | 1.4 |
| Mar | 71.91 |
| Apr | 83.55 |
| May | 183.00 |
| Jun | 123.34 |
| Jul | 63.56 |
| Aug | 10.00 |
| Sept | 62.9 |
| Oct | 4.00 |
| Nov | 254.46 |
| Dec | 1800 |
| Jan 2017 | 120 |

OVER QUOTA (OVER 5 DAYS) REPORT BY MONTH

| MONTH | # OF PRODUCERS | KGS BUTTERFAT |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| January, 2016 | 13 | 5,187 |
| February | 15 | 4,786 |
| March | 26 | 5,829 |
| April | 21 | 3,877 |
| May | 16 | 3,183 |
| June | 13 | 1,559 |
| July | 11 | 604 |
| August | 5 | 556 |
| September | 2 | 185 |
| October | 2 | 150 |
| November | 2 | 267 |
| December | 6 | 937 |
| January, 2017 | 14 | 3,091 |

| SUMMARY REPORT OF CREDITS January, 2017 – 161 PRODUCERS | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| DAYS | # OF PRODUCERS | POSITIVE CREDITS ACCUMULATED (KGS OF BUTTERFAT) | | | |
| + 5 | 14 | 14,082 | | | |
| 0 to + 5 | 37 | 15,506 | | | |
| TOTAL | 51 | 29,588 | | | |
| DAYS | # OF PRODUCERS | NEGATIVE CREDITS ACCUMULATED (KGS OF BUTTERFAT) | | | |
| -15 | 0 | 0.00 | | | |
| -10 to -15 | 18 | -37,053 | | | |
| -5 to -10 | 44 | -66,754 | | | |
| 0 to -5 | 48 | -16,916 | | | |
| TOTAL | 110 | -120,723 | | | |

LOST OPPORTUNITY REPORT

| MONTH | # OF PRODUCERS | LOST OPPORTUNITY (KGS OF BUTTERFAT) |
|----------------|----------------|--|
| January 2017 | 0 | 0 |
| December 2016 | 2 | 253 |
| November 2016 | 2 | 911 |
| October 2016 | 4 | 1,049 |
| September 2016 | 4 | 1,656 |
| August 2016 | 2 | 856 |
| July 2016 | 6 | 1,676 |
| June 2016 | 6 | 2,072 |
| May 2016 | 6 | 2,349 |
| April 2016 | 2 | 625 |
| March 2016 | 6 | 3,240 |
| February 2016 | 5 | 2,995 |
| January 2016 | 10 | 5,285 |

WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMPONENT TESTS & PRICES January, 2017

| Components | Average Test | Price per kilogram Class 1 to 5 |
|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Butterfat | 4.0791 | 10.939386 |
| Protein | 3.3667 | 7.939373 |
| Other Solids | 5.7242 | 1.167365 |

Based on the average component tests for the province, the average price received was **\$78.0348** per hectolitre. The average butterfat price received per kilogram was **\$19.06**

| SASKATCHEWAN MILK POOL RESULTS January 2017 | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Milk Sale Revenue | \$ 15,501,659.82 | | | | | |
| Western Milk Pool | \$ 1,705,789.95 | | | | | |
| Plant of Last Resort Service | \$ (58,148.69) | | | | | |
| Total Pool Value \$ 17,149,301.08 | | | | | | |

In January, Saskatchewan had a monthly CDC allocation of **923,760 kilograms** of butterfat. In the month of January, Saskatchewan production was **-25,271** of butterfat **under** and cumulatively **under** by **-402,676 kilograms** of butterfat. On a percentage basis, Saskatchewan is **-3.84%*** below our CDC allocation flexibility limits based on the Continuous Quota model.

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Monthly | Total | Monthly | Lower | Upper | Cumulative | Cumulative | Over Quota | Rolling 12 |
| | Total | Monthly | Over or | Flexibility | Flexibility | Over or | Over or | or (Lost | Month |
| | Production | CDC Quota | (Under) | Limit | Limit | (Under) | (Under) | Production | Total Quota |
| | | Allocation | Production | (1.5%) | 1.0% | Production | Production | Opportunity) | |
| | | | | | | with limits | with limits | | |
| | | | | | | | in - % | | Kgs bf |
| | Kgs bf | Kgs bf | Kgs bf | Kgs bf | Kgs bf | Kgs bf | | Kgs bf | |
| | | | | | 1.0.*1.00/ | | 1.6.10 | | |
| | | | col. $1 - 2 = 3$ | col. 9 * -1.5% | col. 9 *1.0% | | col. 6 / 9 | - | |
| Jan-16 | 872,836 | 873,832 | (996) | (148,058) | 49,353 | (143,063) | -1.45% | 0 | 9,870,562 |
| Feb-16 | 811,774 | 805,091 | 6,683 | (148,960) | 49,653 | (136,490) | -1.37% | 0 | 9,930,653 |
| Mar-16 | 872,863 | 851,885 | 20,978 | (149,485) | 49,828 | (115,512) | -1.16% | 0 | 9,965,640 |
| Apr-16 | 841,272 | 817,247 | 24,025 | (149,712) | 49,904 | (91,487) | -0.92% | 0 | 9,980,799 |
| May-16 | 860,608 | 850,625 | 9,983 | (150,289) | 50,096 | (81,504) | -0.81% | 0 | 10,019,240 |
| Jun-16 | 826,609 | 849,222 | (22,613) | (151,158) | 50,386 | (104,116) | -1.03% | 0 | 10,077,201 |
| Jul-16 | 845,806 | 868,218 | (22,412) | (152,058) | 50,686 | (126,591) | -1.25% | 0 | 10,137,192 |
| Aug-16 | 825,798 | 882,075 | (56,277) | (204,229) | 51,057 | (153,172) | -1.79%* | 0 | 10,211,472 |
| Sept-16 | 827,969 | 873,806 | (45,837) | (308,055) | 51,343 | (228,896) | -2.23%* | 0 | 10,268,507 |
| Oct-16 | 868,097 | 921,301 | (53,204) | (414,923) | 51,865 | (282,099) | -2.72%* | 0 | 10,373,069 |
| Nov-16 | 857,053 | 889,657 | (32,604) | (417,825) | 52,228 | (314,704) | -3.01%* | 0 | 10,445,620 |
| Dec-16 | 899,756 | 962,250 | (62,494) | (417,827) | 52,228 | (377,405) | -3.61%* | 0 | 10,445,669 |
| Jan-17 | 898,489 | 923,760 | (25,271) | (419,824) | 52,478 | (402,676) | -3.84%* | 0 | 10,495,597 |

(1) Monthly Production in Saskatchewan

(2) Total Monthly Quota = Class 1 sales + Monthly MSQ + Carry Forward

(3) Difference between the monthly production (1) and the total monthly quota (2)

(4) The Lower Flexibility Limit is -1.5% of Rolling 12 Month Total Quota (9)

(5) The Upper Flexibility Limit is 1.0% of Rolling 12 Month Total Quota (9)

(6) Previous Month Cumulative Over or (Under) Production + Current Monthly Over or (Under) Production (capped at lower or upper limit if applicable)

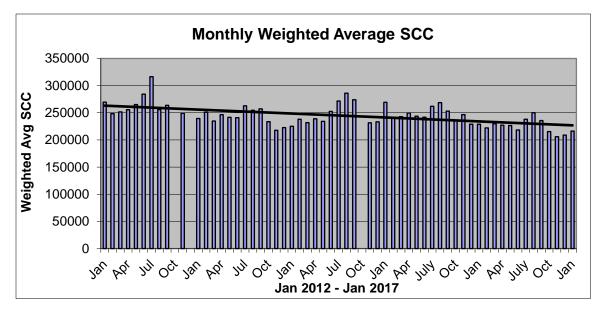
(7) Equal to Column (6) expressed as a percentage basis within the flexibility limits

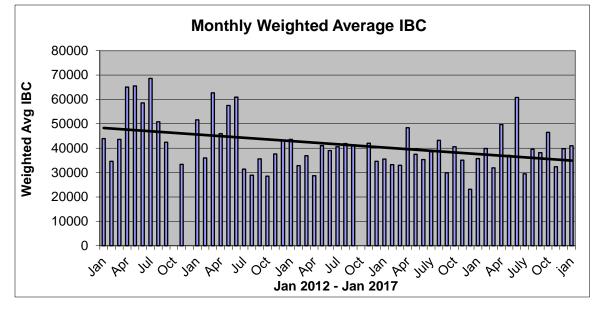
(8) Over Quota or (Lost production opportunity) outside of flexibility limits

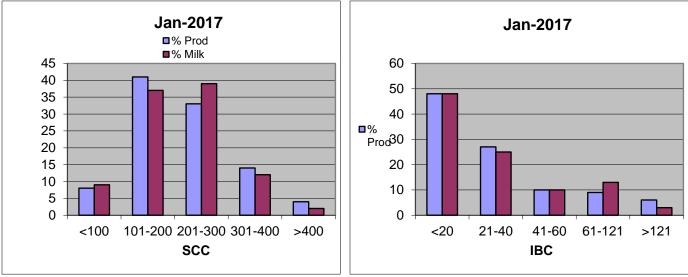
(9) Total Monthly CDC Quota Allocation for the previous 12 months

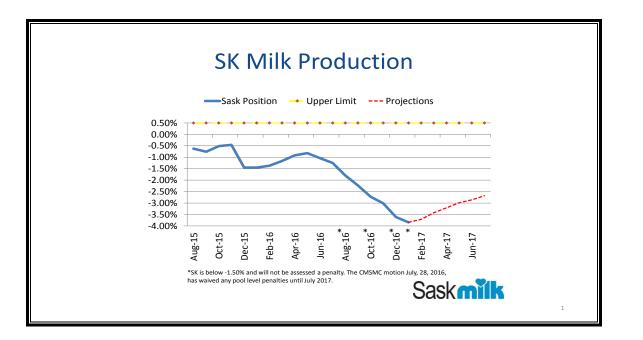
*SK is below -1.50% and will not be assessed a penalty. The CMSMC motion July, 28, 2016, has waived any pool level penalties until July 2017.

PROVINCIAL WEIGHTED AVERAGES









INHIBITOR TEST STATIONS

SaskMilk has established a number of inhibitor test stations around the province. Producers needing to check their bulk tanks for inhibitors can take a sample to the test station closest to their location.

Charm test strips are available to test for:

Beta-Lactams- the Charm 3 SL3 Beta Lactam test strip tests for amoxicillin, ampicillin, ceftiofur, cephapirin, cloxacillin, and penicillin G

Tetracyclines- the Charm Tetracycline test strip tests for chlortetracycline, oxytetracycline and tetracycline.

Sulfas- the Charm Sulfa test strip tests for sulfacetamide, sulfachlorpyridazine, sulfadiazine, sulfadimethoxine, sulfadoxine, sulfamethoxypyridazine, sulfamethoxazine, sulfamethoxazole, sulfamethoxypyridazine, sulfapyridine, sulfaquinoxaline, sulfathiazole, and sulfisoxazole.

Test stations are located at the following locations:

- 1. Swift Current, SK Agrifoods truck bay 675 Cheadle Street West Office 306-773-1097 or Rodger Ruf 306-741-3261
- 2. Harris, SK Cairnside Farm Wes Cairns 306-656-4807
- 3. Star City, SK Star City Colony Reuben Tschetter 306-921-9381
- 4. Grenfell, SK Jim Ross 306-697-2232
- 5. Yorkton, SK Ford Dairy Farms Inc. Bud and Margaret Ford 306-782-7240
- 6. Saskatoon, SK Agrifoods Truck Bay east of the Saputo plant receiving bay lead hand Jim or Clint 306-664-0202 after hours: 306-668-8135

Charm tests strips and Charm testers are now available for purchase through SaskMilk. Agrifoods is now carrying SNAP test kits for tetracyclines as well as beta lactams.

For further information you can contact: Deb Haupstein 306-721-9486

Code of Practice

5 Transportation

Each person responsible for transporting animals in Canada, or arranging for their transport, must ensure that the entire transportation process (including loading, transit, and unloading) does not cause injury or undue suffering to the animals.

The federal requirements for animal transport are covered under the *Health of Animals Regulations, Part XII* (80). They are enforced by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) with the assistance of other federal, provincial and territorial authorities. Some provinces also have additional regulations related to animal transport.

If you are responsible for transporting animals, you **must** be familiar with, and follow, Canada's animal transport requirements. If you do not comply with the regulations, you could be fined or prosecuted. If your actions or neglect are considered animal abuse, you could also be charged and convicted under the *Criminal Code of Canada* and/or provincial regulations (78).

The scope of the Dairy Code of Practice ends at the farm gate, but includes requirements and considerations that affect the transportation process. So as to avoid duplication, the Code of Practice - Transportation should be used as a reference document for the actual transportation process (76)

5.1 Pre-Transport Decision Making

It is the responsibility of the party that is shipping (or causing to be loaded) the animals to ensure that all animals are fit for the intended journey. For that reason, those responsible for arranging transportation services need to know how long the animals will be expected to be in transit, including intermediate stops, such as auction markets, and whether the transporter needs to provide additional services (e.g. - feed, water, rest, milking, etc.) during transit. If in doubt, assume the longest trip when assessing the trip.

Reminder!

The deadline date for Quota Transfer, Quota Exchange, Lease Applications, and 10% Transfer Limit Exemptions is the 6th of each month

Your Quota Transfer, Lease, and 10% Exemption Applications must be received on or before the 6th of the month in order to be effective the 1st of the following month

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