$ 1170.7 Reporting requirements.

(a) All dairy product manufacturers, with the exception of those who are exempt as described in §1170.9, shall submit a report to National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) by noon on Wednesday of all products sold as specified in §1170.8 during the seven days ending with the previous Saturday. If a Federal holiday falls on a Tuesday or Wednesday, NASS will contact manufacturers via e-mail or phone concerning the applicable report deadline. The report is to be submitted on the appropriate forms supplied by NASS and shall indicate the name, address, plant location(s), quantities sold, total sales dollars or dollars per pound for the applicable products, and the moisture content where applicable. Each sale shall be reported for the time period when the transaction is completed, i.e. the product is “shipped out” and title transfer occurs. Each sale shall be reported either f.o.b. plant if the product is “shipped out” from the plant or f.o.b. storage facility location if the product is “shipped out” from a storage facility. In calculating the total dollars received or dollars per pound, the reporting entity shall neither add transportation charges incurred at the time the product is “shipped out” or after the product is “shipped out” nor deduct transportation charges incurred before the product is “shipped out.” In calculating the total dollars received or dollars per pound, the reporting entity shall not deduct packaging costs from the reported price.

(b) Manufacturers or other persons storing dairy products are required to report, on a monthly basis, stocks of dairy products (as defined in §1170.4) on hand, on the appropriate forms supplied by the NASS. The report shall indicate the name, address, and stocks on hand at the end of the month for each storage location.

§ 1170.8 Price reporting specifications.

The following are the reporting specifications for each dairy product:

(a) Specifications for Cheddar Cheese Prices:

(1) Variety: Cheddar cheese.

(2) Style: 40-pound blocks or 500-pound barrels.

(3) Moisture Content:

(i) 40-pound blocks: Moisture content is not reported. Exclude cheese that will be aged.

(ii) 500-pound barrels: Report weighted average moisture content of cheese sold. NASS will adjust price to a benchmark of 38.0 percent based on standard moisture adjustment formulas. Exclude cheese with moisture content exceeding 37.7 percent.

(4) Age: Not less than 4 days or more than 30 days on date of sale.

(5) Grade:

(i) 40-pound blocks: Product meets Wisconsin State Brand or USDA Grade A or better standards.

(ii) 500-pound barrels: Product meets Wisconsin State Brand or USDA Extra Grade or better standards.

(6) Color:

(i) 40-pound blocks: colored and within the color range of 6–8 on the National Cheese Institute color chart.

(ii) 500-pound barrels: white.

(7) Packaging:

(i) 40-pound blocks: Price should reflect cheese wrapped in a sealed, airtight package in corrugated or solid fiberboard containers with a reinforcing inner liner or sleeve. Exclude all other packaging costs from the reported price.

(ii) 500-pound barrels: Exclude all packaging costs from the reported price.

(8) Exclude: Intra-company sales, resale of purchased cheese, forward pricing sales (sales in which the selling price was set [not adjusted] 30 or more days before the transaction was completed), cheese produced under faith-based close supervision and marketed at a higher price than the manufacturer’s wholesale market price for the basic commodity (for example, kosher cheese produced with a rabbi on site who is actively involved in supervision of the production process), sales under the Dairy Export Incentive Program or other premium-assisted sales (for example, export assistance sales through the Cooperatives Working Together program), and cheese certified as organic by a USDA-accredited certifying agent.
§ 1170.9 Price reporting exemptions.

(a) Any manufacturer that processes and markets less than 1 million pounds of cheddar cheese per calendar year is exempt from reporting cheddar cheese sales as specified in §1170.8(a).

(b) Any manufacturer that processes and markets less than 1 million pounds of butter per calendar year is exempt from reporting butter sales as specified in §1170.8(b).

(c) Any manufacturer that processes and markets less than 1 million pounds of dry whey per calendar year is exempt from reporting dry whey sales as specified in §1170.8(c).

(d) Any manufacturer that processes and markets less than 1 million pounds of nonfat dry milk per calendar year is exempt from reporting nonfat dry milk sales as specified in §1170.8(d).

§ 1170.10 Storage reporting specifications.

(a) Cold Storage Report:

(1) Reporting universe: All warehouses or facilities, artificially cooled