

## COMMISSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 25, 2004

Minutes of the meeting of the Commission held at the Department of Forestry, Charlottesville, Virginia.

### **THE COMMISSION:**

PRESENT: Ms. Kimberly Bridges, Commissioner; Mr. James Townsend, Chairperson; Ms. Lorna Daniels, Commissioner; Lowell Fulk, Commissioner; Ms. Judy Barnard, Commissioner; John Gillam, Commissioner; Mr. Rodney L. Phillips, Administrator; Edward C. Wilson, Deputy Administrator; Dirk Holcomb, Dairy Auditor II, Carolyn Wells, Administrative & Office Specialist III; Michael Myatt, Cooperative Milk Producers Association; Mike Todd, Bobby Shipley & Mike Asbury, Dairy Farmers of America; Allen O'Hara, Maryland Virginia Milk Producers and Paul & Flora House.

James Townsend, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Townsend asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Lorna Daniels made a motion and Kimberly Bridges seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.

Lorna Daniels nominated John Gillam for chairperson, seconded by Kim Bridges. Judy Barnard nominated Kimberly Bridges for Chairperson, seconded by James Townsend. John Gillam was appointed new chairperson.

The Deputy Administrator reviewed of Class I sales summary and adjacent market prices statistics (see pages

The Deputy Administrator advised that the Administrator had established a new assessment rate, which is \$.0325/cwt, effective July 1, 2004.

The Deputy Administrator also reviewed with the Commissioners the Conflict of Interest.

The Administrator reviewed a base request from Kettle Wind Farm, Paul House. Mr. House explained that he was consolidating his two farms into one. Ms. Bridges pointed out that the regulations provide for the consolidation of bases. On a motion by James Townsend and seconded by Lorna Daniels the Commission voted to transfer the base escrow from Farm #2 to Farm #1. The base in escrow can be regained during the base adjustment period of 2004. If his base is produced then base will be restored and any base not produced will be lost.

Commission staff held technical hearings and/or tele-conference interviews with various firms applying for distributor licenses on all Virginia markets. The applicants all agreed to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Commission and there being no other evidence to the contrary the Administrator recommended the issuing and amending of licenses as indicated below. John Gillam made a motion to accept all the following changes, seconded by Lorna Daniels, effective September 1, 2004. Motion carried. Lorna Daniels made a motion to accept the amending of license, seconded by Kimberly Bridges, effective September 1, 2004. Motion carried.

### **Licenses Issue/Cancel/Re-Issue/Amend:**

#### **Issue:**

<b><u>License No.</u></b>	<b><u>Type of License</u></b>	<b><u>Distributor</u></b>	<b><u>Company Rep</u></b>	<b><u>Markets</u></b>
310.000.1	PGD	Aurora Organic Dairy, Inc. 1401 Walnut Street 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Boulder, CO 80302	Clark Driftmier	All
311.000.1	PGD	Midland Farms, Inc. 375 Broadway Menands, NY 12204	C.J. O'Rourke	All
228.001.3	NPGD	M.R. Williams, Inc. 235 Raleigh Road Henderson, NC 27536 Under: Maola Milk & Ice Cream Co New Bern, N.C.	Donna Bradsher	All

289.002.3	NPGD	East Side Entrees 20 Crossways Park North Woodbury, NY 11797 Under: Steuben Foods Elma, New York	Amy Josephson	All
305.001.3	NPGD	Performance Foods Group, Inc. Carroll County Foods 1333 Avondale Road New Windsor, Maryland Under: Dairy Maid Dairy, Inc. Frederick, Maryland	Lisa White	All
292.001.3	NPGD	Associated Wholesalers, Inc. P.O. Box 67 Robesonia, Pennsylvania Under: H.P. Hood Winchester, Virginia	Thomas C. Teeter	All

**Amend:**

<u>License No.</u>	<u>Type of License</u>	<u>Distributor</u>	<u>Company Rep</u>	<u>Markets</u>
292.000.1	PGD	From: H.P. Hood, Inc. 90 Everett Ave, Suite 200 Chelsea, MA	David G. Burch	All
		To: H.P. Hood LLC 90 Everett Ave, Suite 200 Chelsea, MA	David G. Burch	All

Mr. Phillips gave the Administrators Report. He distributed numerous newspaper and magazine articles written regarding the recent milk price increases & decreases. He also distributed a copy of a brief by the Congressional Research Service from the Library of Congress regarding the major dairy policies recently passed by Congress.

Mr. Phillips reviewed the current status of the relocation of VDACS to the Old Senate Finance Building.

There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be held December 15, 2004 at the Department of Forestry, Charlottesville, Virginia, starting at 10:30 a.m.

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Chairperson

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Administrator