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To Whom This May Concern,

The price of milk being paid to dairy farmers is a very sore subject in the farm community and for good reason. When you stop and consider that the price being received by farmers for milk produced in 2006 is comparable to the price received in the 1980's. Something is amiss. The main problem is that our costs today are in the 2006 range.

It is time for positive action to be taken. A full measure of common sense needs to be used to establish a new pricing formula. After all shouldn't the cost of production be considered when determining the selling price for the farmer/producer.

If the present generation of dairy farmers are forced out of business because of the subbasement level prices, who will produce the milk in the future? I sure don't want to depend on imports, do you?

sincerely a disappointed dairy farmer,



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