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Notice Regarding Nominations of Milk Producers to Serve as Members Of the National Dairy Promotion and Research Board

A top priority at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is ensuring that all USDA applicants, customers, constituents, and stakeholders are provided equal access to the opportunities, programs, and services available through the "People's Department." This includes membership on industry boards so that they reflect the diversity of the individuals served by the programs.

Terms of office for 12 members of the National Dairy Promotion and Research Board (Board) have expired, and nominations for the expiring positions are being solicited. USDA is requesting that milk producers and all interested parties nominate candidates to serve on the Board. Enclosed for your information is a press release, an Invitation to Nominate Milk Producers to Serve as Members of the Board, Background Information Form (AD-755) and a Nomination Form (DA-19). Additionally, please forward this information to interested parties and those eligible for nomination. USDA encourages all eligible women, minorities, and persons with disabilities to seek nomination for a seat on the Board.

Information regarding nominations is also available on the Agricultural Marketing Service's website at www.ams.usda.gov/dairy. If you have any questions, please contact Whitney Rick of the Promotion, Research, and Planning Division at (202) 720-6909 or email Whitney.Rick@ams.usda.gov.