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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 31-Oct-03

| DATE | PRODUCTION (000) | | ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY | | | |
|--------|-------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| | <u>Actual Slaughter</u> | <u>Live Weight</u> | <u>Price Range</u> | <u>Weighted Price</u> | <u># of Boxes</u> | |
| 10-27 | 2,297 | 5.56 | 59-78 | 62.82 | 9,275 | |
| 10-28 | 2,303 | 5.42 | 56-79 | 62.37 | 8,353 | |
| 10-29 | 2,302 | 5.43 | 57-73 | 63.45 | 6,885 | |
| 10-30 | 2,248 | 5.38 | 57-73 | 63.19 | 7,679 | |
| 10-31 | 2,187 | 5.38 | 57-70 | 63.05 | 9,452 | |
| Weekly | 11,337 | 5.44 | Cumulative: | 62.95 | 41,643 | |

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, week of 03-Nov-03

| Weighted Averages for: | <u>Current Week</u> | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>Year Ago</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| New York | 59.50 | 58.86 | 46.67 |
| Chicago | 56.40 | 56.78 | 43.91 |
| Detroit | 57.18 | 56.50 | 43.50 |
| Los Angeles | 70.93 | 70.62 | 65.63 |
| Composite Weighted Average | 63.77 | 64.04 | 54.11 |

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 31-Oct-03

| | <u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u> | <u>Total Volume/Pounds</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Breast - B/S | 152.69 | 3,396,378 |
| Tenderloins | 142.03 | 757,220 |
| Breast - With Ribs | 81.79 | 1,079,720 |
| Breast - Line Run | 78.11 | 552,280 |
| Legs | 38.48 | 1,289,040 |
| Leg Quarters (Bulk) | 29.76 | 1,725,872 |
| Drumsticks | 39.18 | 561,550 |
| Thighs | 38.09 | 383,390 |
| B/S Thighs | 88.38 | 448,220 |
| Wings (Whole) | 88.14 | 744,520 |

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 25-Oct-03

| | <u>Current Week</u> | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>Year Ago</u> | <u>10-Weeks Prior</u> | <u>7-Weeks Prior</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Eggs Set | 190,408 | 190,198 | 181,106 | 205,286 | 200,658 |
| Chicks Placed | 158,628 | 160,184 | 157,001 | 169,064 | 167,590 |

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 25-OCT-03

| | <u>Current Week</u> | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>Year Ago</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Head (000) | 159,099 | 157,115 | 158,649 |
| Average Live Weight | 5.25 | 5.26 | 5.22 |
| To Date 2003 (000) | 6,613,830 | 6,454,731 | ----- |
| To Date 2002 (000) | 6,688,770 | 6,530,121 | ----- |

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **September 30, 2003** were down 5% from last month and down 17% from last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down 2% from last month and down 28% from last year's level. Total pounds of turkey in freezers decreased 8% from last month and were 3% below last year.

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