Operational Guidance for Reporting Mixed Steer/Heifer Class Code on the LPS-113

**Issue:** Reporting Mixed Steer/Heifer beef type cattle (Class Code 1).

**Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) Position:** “Beef Type” Class codes used in reporting negotiated purchases on the LPS-113 form should reflect the most specific and accurate information known at the time of price establishment. LPGMN realizes that cattle lots can vary in composition; however the purpose of LMR negotiated purchase cattle reports is to provide industry the timeliest prices available with other information such as class codes reflecting the estimates used by packers in negotiating the price of the transaction.

**LPGMN Guidance:** To ensure the most specific, timely and accurate information be published; the Mixed Steer/Heifer class code should only be identified in lots known at the time of pricing to be fed in a comingled pen. All other negotiated purchase beef type cattle transactions should be reported under the steer or heifer class code using the best estimate available at the time of pricing.

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