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TO:

All Handlers in the Southeast Marketing Area

FROM:

Acting Market Administrator, Atlanta, Georgia

SUBJECT: Pool Plant Status of Cooperative Operated Plants (Section 1007.7(d) of the Order Regulating the Handling of Milk in the Southeast Marketing Area)

For purposes of administration of this section and using the authority assigned under § 1000.25(b)(3), effective November 1, 2012, any cooperative association request to alter the pool plant status applicable under § 1007.7(d) must be provided in writing before the last day of the month for which the change in pool plant status is desired.

The applicable provisions noted above are:

Section 1000.25 (b) The Market Administrator shall have the following powers with respect to each order under his/her administration :....(3) Make rules and regulations to effectuate the terms and provisions of the order;

Section 1007.7(d) A plant located within the marketing area that is operated by a cooperative association if pool plant status under this paragraph is requested for such plant by the cooperative association and during the month at least 60 percent of the producer milk of members of such cooperative association is delivered directly from farms to pool distributing plants or is transferred to such plants as a fluid milk product (excluding concentrated milk transferred to a distributing plant for an agreed-upon use other than Class I) from the cooperative's plant.

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