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Room 2968-S, STOP 0225  
Washington, DC 20250-0225

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Invitation to Submit Proposals for Consideration at a Public Hearing that May Be Held to  
Discuss Elimination of the Producer-Handler Provision and Revision of the Exempt Plant  
Provision in All Federal Milk Marketing Orders  
**[Extended Until Noon EDT. March 16, 2009]**

On February 6, 2009, AMS Dairy Programs issued a request for additional proposals regarding the elimination of the producer-handler provision and the revision of the exempt plant provision in all Federal milk marketing orders. The request was in response to a proposal received from National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF) and International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA). This notice is extending the date of submission of additional proposals to noon EDT, March 16, 2009.

Electronic submissions should be emailed to [amsdairycomments@usda.gov](mailto:amsdairycomments@usda.gov). The preferred method of submission is via email. Proposals can also be mailed to: Deputy Administrator, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, STOP-0231-Room 2971, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-0225. **Proposals must be received by noon, EDT. March 16, 2009.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dana H. Coale', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dana H. Coale  
Deputy Administrator  
Dairy Programs