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Washington, DC 20250

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ANGELA HUFFMAN
President
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Sent via email: jvanwye@farmaction.us

Dear Angela Huffman:

Thank you for your letter of June 20, 2023, regarding the Report to Congress on the National Dairy Promotion and Research Program and the National Fluid Milk Processor Promotion Program (National Programs).

As you note, the authorizing legislation of the National Programs requires the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to submit an annual report to the House Committee on Agriculture and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. The 2020 Report to Congress is currently going through Departmental review and will be published on the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) website when available. AMS is currently reviewing the 2021 econometric analysis and will begin work on the 2022 report when the 2021 analysis is completed.

In addition to overseeing the National Programs, the Biden-Harris Administration has several additional efforts to support dairy farmers and rural communities, including changes to the Dairy Margin Coverage program and amending Dairy Indemnity Payment Program (DIPP) regulations. Pandemic assistance also was targeted to assist dairy farmers including distributing nearly \$350 million through the Pandemic Market Volatility Assistance Program and providing reimbursement for some expenses associated with donated dairy products through the Milk Donation Reimbursement Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Jenny Lester Moffitt". The signature is written in a cursive style with some loops and flourishes.

JENNY LESTER MOFFITT
Under Secretary
Marketing and Regulatory Programs