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Via Email Only to deberly@pa.gov

Robert N. Barley, Chairman
c/o Douglas Eberly, Esquire
Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board
2301 North Cameron Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Scheduling the last session of Cooperative Milk Procurement Costs Hearing

Dear Chairman Barley and Members of the Board:

The Pennsylvania Association of Dairy Cooperatives (PADC) respectfully requests that the Board schedule the final day of the Cooperative Milk Procurement Costs hearing during September or in October prior to the now-scheduled retail prices and cost replacement hearings. This request is made having been advised by Mr. Eberly that the Board has, at least preliminarily, scheduled this hearing to be in February 2020. We request the earlier scheduling for the following reasons:

1. The PADC (then GNEMMA) cooperatives' request for a cooperative milk procurement cost reimbursement in the PMMB pricing system was initiated with a hearing request approved by the Board in June 2013.
2. The PADC testimony for the final hearing segment, consisting of Mr. Cooper's four page statement and a one page exhibit, was circulated to all interested parties on May 24, 2019. This should provide ample time for all parties to respond to the PADC testimony and prepare for a hearing in September or October, pursuant to a reasonable pre-submission schedule fashioned by the Board.
3. We believe, on the basis of conversations with other interested parties, that the hearing will take no more than one full day.
4. Because this final phase of the cooperative procurement costs hearing concerns implementation of the cooperative proposal in the cost replacement process,

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having it before the next round of cost-replacement hearings will provide a useful context for the Board to consider it.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,



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