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WEEKLY WOOL NATIONAL MARKET PRICE

WASHINGTON, April 2, 2013 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation today announced the national posted prices for wool. The effective repayment rate is the lower of either the 30-day average or weekly rate.

2013 Graded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, clean basis)

Micron	Repayment Rate	Weekly Rate*	30-day Weighted Average	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
				26-Mar	19-Mar	12-Mar	5-Mar	26-Feb
Less than 18.6	\$4.82	\$4.82	\$5.05	\$4.94	\$5.01	\$5.12	\$5.10	\$5.13
18.6 to 19.5	\$4.69	\$4.69	\$4.89	\$4.81	\$4.86	\$4.96	\$4.88	\$4.99
19.6 to 20.5	\$4.55	\$4.55	\$4.65	\$4.62	\$4.64	\$4.71	\$4.60	\$4.68
20.6 to 22.0	\$4.47	\$4.47	\$4.58	\$4.56	\$4.59	\$4.62	\$4.53	\$4.61
22.1 to 23.5	\$4.36	\$4.36	\$4.46	\$4.42	\$4.44	\$4.48	\$4.48	\$4.51
23.6 to 25.9	\$3.57	\$3.59	\$3.57	\$3.61	\$3.60	\$3.57	\$3.51	\$3.52
26.0 to 28.9	\$2.16	\$2.17	\$2.16	\$2.18	\$2.20	\$2.16	\$2.11	\$2.11
29.0 and over	\$1.79	\$1.79	\$1.82	\$1.83	\$1.84	\$1.84	\$1.78	\$1.77

2013 Ungraded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, greasy basis)

Repayment Rate	Weekly Rate*	30-day Weighted Average	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
			26-Mar	19-Mar	12-Mar	5-Mar	26-Feb
\$0.44	\$0.46	\$0.44	\$0.46	\$0.43	\$0.43	\$0.43	\$0.43

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time (ET), on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, and are used to determine alternative loan repayment rates for marketing assistance loans and to determine loan deficiency payments.

* weekly rate is based on current week

** weights = 7/30 for each of the 4 previous weeks plus 2/30 for the earliest week