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WEEKLY WOOL NATIONAL MARKET PRICE and 2013 LOAN RATES

Washington, January 8, 2013 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation today announced 2013 loan rates (unchanged from 2012) and posted prices for wool loan rates and prices are as follows:

Loan rates for 2013

	Loan Rates (per pound, clean basis)
2013 Graded Wool	
less than 18.6	\$3.88
18.6 to 19.5	\$3.38
19.6 to 20.5	\$2.94
20.6 to 22.0	\$2.72
22.1 to 23.5	\$2.56
23.6 to 25.9	\$2.33
26.0 to 28.9	\$1.78
29.0 and over	\$1.38

Ungraded wool (per pound, greasy basis) \$0.40

The weekly National Market Prices for wool are as follows:

2013 Wool

Graded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, clean basis)

Micron	Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted ** Average of				
	Rate	Rate *	Average	Jan.2	Dec.26	Dec. 18	Dec. 11	Dec. 4
Less than 18.6	\$5.05	\$5.05	\$5.05	\$5.05	\$5.05	\$5.05	\$5.12	\$4.87
18.6 to 19.5	\$4.93	\$4.94	\$4.93	\$4.94	\$4.94	\$4.94	\$4.97	\$4.66
19.6 to 20.5	\$4.66	\$4.66	\$4.66	\$4.66	\$4.66	\$4.66	\$4.72	\$4.40
20.6 to 22.0	\$4.54	\$4.55	\$4.54	\$4.55	\$4.55	\$4.55	\$4.60	\$4.27
22.1 to 23.5	\$4.40	\$4.41	\$4.40	\$4.41	\$4.41	\$4.41	\$4.44	\$4.13
23.6 to 25.9	\$3.53	\$3.54	\$3.53	\$3.54	\$3.54	\$3.54	\$3.51	\$3.47
26.0 to 28.9	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.12	\$2.07
29.0 and over	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.68

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

Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
Rate	Rate *	Average	Jan.2	Dec.26	Dec. 18	Dec. 11	Dec. 4
\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on Wednesday, January 9, 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 the current price

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