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WEEKLY NATIONAL MARKET PRICE FOR WOOL AND MOHAIR

Washington, January 31, 2012 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation today announced the national posted prices for wool and mohair. The effective repayment rate is the lower of either the 30-day average or weekly rate.

2012 Wool

Graded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, clean basis)

Micron	Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted ** Average of				
	Rate	Rate *	Average	Jan. 24	Jan. 17	Jan. 10	Jan. 3	Dec. 27
Less than 18.6	\$5.65	\$5.79	\$5.65	\$5.75	\$5.88	\$5.50	\$5.50	\$5.50
18.6 to 19.5	\$5.33	\$5.45	\$5.33	\$5.44	\$5.56	\$5.18	\$5.18	\$5.18
19.6 to 20.5	\$5.07	\$5.15	\$5.07	\$5.12	\$5.27	\$4.96	\$4.96	\$4.96
20.6 to 22.0	\$4.81	\$4.97	\$4.81	\$4.92	\$5.00	\$4.68	\$4.68	\$4.68
22.1 to 23.5	\$4.46	\$4.80	\$4.46	\$4.69	\$4.68	\$4.27	\$4.27	\$4.27
23.6 to 25.9	\$3.53	\$3.69	\$3.53	\$3.65	\$3.61	\$3.45	\$3.45	\$3.45
26.0 to 28.9	\$2.02	\$2.07	\$2.02	\$2.04	\$2.07	\$1.98	\$1.98	\$1.98
29.0 and over	\$1.65	\$1.65	\$1.67	\$1.64	\$1.71	\$1.66	\$1.66	\$1.66

2012 Ungraded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, greasy basis)

Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
Rate	Rate *	Average	Jan. 24	Jan. 17	Jan. 10	Jan. 3	Dec. 27
\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.61

2012 Mohair Posted Price (per pound)

Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
Rate	Rate *	Average	Jan. 24	Jan. 17	Jan. 10	Jan. 3	Dec. 27
\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57	\$4.57

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on Wednesday, February 1, 2012, 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