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WEEKLY NATIONAL MARKET PRICE FOR WOOL AND MOHAIR

Washington, December 26, 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	Dec. 18	Dec. 11	Dec. 4	Nov. 27	Nov. 20
Less than 18.6	\$4.96	\$5.05	\$4.96	\$5.05	\$5.12	\$4.87	\$4.84	\$4.80
18.6 to 19.5	\$4.77	\$4.94	\$4.77	\$4.94	\$4.97	\$4.66	\$4.58	\$4.52
19.6 to 20.5	\$4.51	\$4.66	\$4.51	\$4.66	\$4.72	\$4.40	\$4.31	\$4.26
20.6 to 22.0	\$4.39	\$4.55	\$4.39	\$4.55	\$4.60	\$4.27	\$4.21	\$4.18
22.1 to 23.5	\$4.25	\$4.41	\$4.25	\$4.41	\$4.44	\$4.13	\$4.09	\$4.05
23.6 to 25.9	\$3.49	\$3.54	\$3.49	\$3.54	\$3.51	\$3.47	\$3.46	\$3.43
26.0 to 28.9	\$2.09	\$2.10	\$2.09	\$2.10	\$2.12	\$2.07	\$2.09	\$2.08
29.0 and over	\$1.70	\$1.73	\$1.70	\$1.73	\$1.73	\$1.68	\$1.66	\$1.64

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

Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
Rate	Rate *	Average	Dec. 18	Dec. 11	Dec. 4	Nov. 27	Nov. 20
\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49

2012 Mohair Posted Price (per pound)

Repayment	Weekly	30-Day Weighted	30-Day = Weighted** Average of				
Rate	Rate *	Average	Dec. 18	Dec. 11	Dec. 4	Nov. 27	Nov. 20
\$4.81	\$4.81	\$4.84	\$4.81	\$4.81	\$4.86	\$4.86	\$4.86

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on Wednesday, December 26, 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