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## WEEKLY NATIONAL MARKET PRICE FOR WOOL AND MOHAIR

Washington January 16, 2018 - The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation today announced posted prices for wool and mohair. The effective repayment rate is the lower of either the 30-day average or weekly rate.

### 2018 Graded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, clean basis)

| Microns      | Repayment Rate | Weekly Rate * | 30-Day Weighted Average | 30-Day = Weighted ** Average of |        |         |         |         |
|--------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
|              |                |               |                         | Jan 9                           | Jan 2  | Dec. 26 | Dec. 19 | Dec. 12 |
| Less than 18 | <b>\$6.45</b>  | \$6.66        | \$6.45                  | \$6.46                          | \$6.46 | \$6.46  | \$6.46  | \$6.29  |
| 18.6 to 19.5 | <b>\$5.84</b>  | \$6.06        | \$5.84                  | \$5.86                          | \$5.86 | \$5.86  | \$5.86  | \$5.60  |
| 19.6 to 20.5 | <b>\$5.27</b>  | \$5.52        | \$5.27                  | \$5.29                          | \$5.29 | \$5.29  | \$5.29  | \$5.00  |
| 20.6 to 22.0 | <b>\$4.75</b>  | \$4.96        | \$4.75                  | \$4.77                          | \$4.77 | \$4.77  | \$4.77  | \$4.50  |
| 22.1 to 23.5 | <b>\$4.22</b>  | \$4.28        | \$4.22                  | \$4.23                          | \$4.23 | \$4.23  | \$4.23  | \$4.10  |
| 23.6 to 25.9 | <b>\$3.64</b>  | \$3.64        | \$3.64                  | \$3.65                          | \$3.65 | \$3.65  | \$3.65  | \$3.50  |
| 26.0 to 28.9 | <b>\$2.11</b>  | \$2.18        | \$2.11                  | \$2.12                          | \$2.12 | \$2.12  | \$2.12  | \$2.03  |
| 29.0 and ove | <b>\$1.37</b>  | \$1.38        | \$1.37                  | \$1.37                          | \$1.37 | \$1.37  | \$1.37  | \$1.32  |

### 2018 Ungraded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, greasy basis)

| Region 2 | Repayment Rate | Weekly Rate * | 30-Day Weighted Average | 30-Day = Weighted ** Average of |        |         |         |         |
|----------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
|          |                |               |                         | Jan 9                           | Jan 2  | Dec. 26 | Dec. 19 | Dec. 12 |
| Region 2 | <b>\$0.55</b>  | \$0.55        | \$0.55                  | \$0.55                          | \$0.55 | \$0.55  | \$0.55  | \$0.55  |

### 2018 Mohair Posted Price (per pound)

| Repayment Rate | Weekly Rate * | 30-Day Weighted Average | 30-Day = Weighted ** Average of |        |         |         |         |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
|                |               |                         | Jan 9                           | Jan 2  | Dec. 26 | Dec. 19 | Dec. 12 |
| <b>\$6.76</b>  | \$6.76        | \$6.76                  | \$6.76                          | \$6.76 | \$6.76  | \$6.76  | \$6.76  |

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 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