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WEEKLY WOOL NATIONAL MARKET PRICE

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Washington March 1, 2016 - The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation today announced posted prices for wool. The effective repayment rate is the lower of the 30-day average or the weekly rate.

| 2016 Wool | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|--------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| Graded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, clean basis) | | | | | | | | |
| Microns | Repayment | Weekly | 30-Day Weighted | | | | | |
| | Rate | Rate * | Average | Feb. 23 | Feb. 16 | Feb. 9 | Feb. 2 | Jan. 27 |
| Less than 18.6 | \$3.93 | \$3.93 | \$3.98 | \$4.03 | \$3.99 | \$3.96 | \$3.94 | \$3.91 |
| 18.6 to 19.5 | \$3.72 | \$3.72 | \$3.75 | \$3.80 | \$3.78 | \$3.72 | \$3.72 | \$3.69 |
| 19.6 to 20.5 | \$3.63 | \$3.63 | \$3.63 | \$3.69 | \$3.67 | \$3.63 | \$3.57 | \$3.56 |
| 20.6 to 22.0 | \$3.61 | \$3.61 | \$3.61 | \$3.67 | \$3.63 | \$3.61 | \$3.55 | \$3.54 |
| 22.1 to 23.5 | \$3.55 | \$3.60 | \$3.55 | \$3.61 | \$3.58 | \$3.53 | \$3.49 | \$3.44 |
| 23.6 to 25.9 | \$2.92 | \$2.96 | \$2.92 | \$2.94 | \$2.92 | \$2.96 | \$2.90 | \$2.84 |
| 26.0 to 28.9 | \$1.86 | \$1.86 | \$1.86 | \$1.87 | \$1.86 | \$1.86 | \$1.84 | \$1.83 |
| 29.0 and over | \$1.53 | \$1.53 | \$1.59 | \$1.57 | \$1.58 | \$1.60 | \$1.60 | \$1.59 |
| 2016 Ungraded Wool Posted Prices (per pound, greasy basis) | | | | | | | | |
| Region 2 | Repayment | Weekly | 30-Day Weighted | | | | | |
| | Rate | Rate * | Average | Feb. 23 | Feb. 16 | Feb. 9 | Feb. 2 | Jan. 27 |
| | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 | \$0.56 |

These prices become effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 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