

## **US Price Mechanism**

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| US PRICE MECHANISM - 2005/2006 SEASON  | - cents per lb -               |            |          |
|--|--------------------------------|------------|----------|
|  | Week to date (Official Values) |            |          |
|  |                                | to July 31 | Aug 1    |
| A) Friday/Thursday average 5 Middling Values   | 59.95                          | (60.01)    | (58.68)  |
| B) Fri/Thurs average 3 SLM values  | N/A                            | ( 56.82)   | ( 57.17) |
| E) Shipping, Loan Quality and Location differentials (52 week averages)  | 15.91                          | (15.56)    | (15.91)  |
| F) ADJUSTED WORLD PRICE (AWP) (A - E)  | 44.04                          | (44.45)    | (44.10)  |
| G) Coarse Adjustment (current values A-B-6.55)   | N/A                            | ( 0.00)    | ( 0.00)  |
| H) Marketing Loan Gain (52.00 base loan minus AWP)   | 7.96                           | ( 7.55)    | ( 7.90)  |
| US PRICE MECHANISM (2) COMPETITIVE ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS<br>Step 1: (inoperative if the AWP is above 115 percent of the Basic Loan, or 59.80<br>Cheapest US quote minus A (NE) Index (5-day averages forward values)<br>Maximum permissible reduction of AWP | ) cents)                       | 4.55       |          |
| Step 2: (Marketing Subsidy)  |                                |            |          |
| Official current rate payable through midnight, Monday, July 31  |                                | 2.67       |          |
| AMERICAN PIMA COMPETITIVENESS PAYMENT<br>Basic Loan Trigger  |                                |            |          |
| P1) Cheapest competing foreign quote C/F Far East (week to date average)   |                                | 118.25     |          |
| P2) P1 adjusted for quality and transportation   |                                | 112.80     |          |
| P3) P2 value must be less than 134% of basic loan (82.45)  |                                | 136.81%    |          |
| Payment Calculation  |                                |            |          |
| P4) Friday/Thursday US Pima C/F Far Eastern Average  |                                | 136.00     |          |
| P5) Average cheapest competing foreign quote C/F Far East (adjusted for quality  | y)                             | 126.36     |          |
| P6) Theoretical value (P4-P5)  |                                | N/A        |          |
| P7) No. of completed weeks. P4 must exceed P5 for four consecutive weeks.  |                                | 0          |          |
| P8) Official current rate payable through Thursday August 3  |                                | N/A        |          |