

## Notice to the Trade Regarding the Status of Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News During Lapse in Federal Appropriations as of December 16, 2013 <sup>1</sup>

**\*\*\*Additional summary reports of daily submitted information to be published-See below\*\*\***

Due to the lapse in Federal funding from October 1 to October 16, 2013, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) was unable to cover the wide variety of commodity markets which the agriculture industries rely on for the facilitation of trade and fair marketing. On October 17, 2013, LPGMN resumed operations. This Notice to the Trade outlines the current status of the market reports which were absent during the lapse and LPGMN's plans for backfilling missing reports where possible.

### **For Livestock Mandatory Reporting (LMR) market information:**

- All current daily LMR market reports for swine, cattle, lambs, pork, boxed beef, and lamb meat for Thursday, October 17, 2013, were published as close to the regularly scheduled time as possible;
- No prior day swine reports were issued on October 17, 2013;
- There was no trend or comparison information available on the current daily reports published on Thursday, October 17, 2013;
- The first current prior day swine reports were published on Friday, October 18, 2013;

In accordance with the LMR Act, a "reporting day" for meat packers covered by the statute is any work day when packers conduct business of buying livestock and selling meat products, and USDA is open to conduct business. Since LPGMN was closed from October 1-16, 2013, there were no reporting days during this period. However, packers are required to submit information for all transactions which occurred during the lapse by the first scheduled report time after the government reopened on Thursday, October 17, 2013. While some packers continued to submit information on a daily basis during the shutdown, others did not until after LPGMN resumed operations.

Based on this explanation of the nature of reporting requirements, here is how LPGMN plans to report LMR market information which transpired during the shutdown:

- For each of the commodities covered by the LMR Act, LPGMN will aggregate the daily LMR information submitted for October 1-16, 2013, and publish one summary report covering that time period on a National basis, as well as for the regional livestock reports where applicable, on Monday, October 21, 2013.
- For the boxed beef, wholesale pork, and lamb meat reports, LPGMN plans to publish summary reports for the volume of trade and the price and volume information for the individual cuts on Monday, October 21, 2013.
- Due to the amount of information included and the complexity of the cutout calculations, LPGMN plans to publish cutout information at a later date by Monday, October 28, 2013.
- LPGMN will also aggregate LMR information submitted on a weekly basis and publish one summary report for each of the respective commodities where applicable.
- The summary reports of daily submitted information to be published will be:

LM\_CT100: 5 Area Daily Wtd Avg Direct Slaughter Cattle - Negotiated

LM\_CT103: Direct Slaughter Cow and Bull – Negotiated - Summary

LM\_CT106: Direct Slaughter Cattle – Committed and Delivered Cattle - Summary

LM\_CT109: Direct Slaughter Cattle Formulated Purchases Summary

LM\_CT115: Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Purchases - Summary

LM\_CT118: TX-OK Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales - Summary

LM\_CT121: KS Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales - Summary  
 LM\_CT124: NE Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales - Summary  
 LM\_CT125: TX-OK Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales – Wtd Avg  
 LM\_CT126: KS Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales – Wtd Avg  
 LM\_CT127: NE Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales – Wtd Avg  
 LM\_CT128: CO Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales – Wtd Avg  
 LM\_CT129: IA-MN Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales – Wtd Avg  
 LM\_CT134: CO Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales - Summary  
 LM\_CT137: IA-MN Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle – Negotiated Sales - Summary  
 LM\_CT153: National Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle – Prior Week Slaughter & Contract Purchases  
 LM\_CT155: National Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle - Premiums & Discounts  
 LM\_CT169: 5-Area Weekly Wtd Average Direct Slaughter Cattle – Premiums & Discounts  
 LM\_HG250: National Weekly Direct Slaughter Swine Non-Carcass Merit Premiums  
 LM\_XB401: Boneless Cow Beef & Beef Trimmings – Negotiated Sales PM  
 LM\_XB403: Boxed Beef Cutout & Cuts – Negotiated Sales PM  
 LM\_XB405: Cutter Cow Cutout & Boxed Cow Beef Cuts – Negotiated PM  
 LM\_HG200: Daily Direct Hog Prior Day – Purchases Swine  
 LM\_HG201: Daily Direct Hog Prior Day – Slaughtered Swine  
 LM\_HG204: IA-MN Daily Direct Prior Day Hog – Purchases Swine  
 LM\_HG207: Western Cornbelt Daily Direct Prior Day Hog-Purchased Swine  
 LM\_HG208: Western Cornbelt Daily Direct Prior Day Hog – Purchased Swine  
 LM\_HG230: Daily Direct Prior Day Sow and Boar – Purchased Swine  
 LM\_HG231: IA/MN Daily Direct Prior Day Sow and Boar - Purchased  
 LM\_HG232: Eastern Cornbelt Daily Direct Prior Day Sow and Boar – Purchased Swine  
 LM\_HG233: Western Cornbelt Daily Direct Prior Day Sow and Boar – Purchased Swine  
 LM\_PK602: National Daily Pork FOB Plant – Negotiated Sales - Afternoon  
 LM\_PK603: National Daily Pork FOB Omaha – Negotiated Sales - Afternoon  
 LM\_LM302: National Weekly Lamb Report (Negotiated & Formula Purchases) – Domestic Only  
 LM\_LM351: National Weekly Lamb  
 LM\_LM352: National Weekly Slaughter Sheep Review

- LPGMN will publish all of these summary reports and make them available to the public by next Monday, October 21, 2013 and in the LMR database on January 6, 2014.

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\*\*\* UPDATED SUMMARY REPORTS \*\*\*

- Additional summary reports of daily submitted information to be published will be:

LM\_CT139: TX-OK-NM Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales  
 LM\_CT140: KS Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales  
 LM\_CT141: NE Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales  
 LM\_CT145: 5 Area Weekly Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales  
 LM\_CT146: CO Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales  
 LM\_CT147: IA-MN Direct Slaughter Cattle Report-Formulated, Forward Contract, and Negotiated Grid Sales

LM\_XL555: National Weekly Comprehensive Lamb Carcass Report  
LM\_PK620: National Weekly Pork Report FOB Plant-Formula Sales  
LM\_PK621: National Weekly Pork Report FOB Omaha-Formula Sales  
LM\_XB450: National Weekly Formulated Boneless Cow Beef & Beef Trimmings-Formulated Sales  
LM\_XB452: National Weekly Boxed Beef Cuts For Branded Product-Negotiated Sales  
LM\_XB454: National Weekly Boxed Beef Cuts-Formulated Sales  
LM\_XB455: National Weekly Boxed Beef Cuts-Negotiated sales, 22-90 day delivery period  
LM\_XB456: National Weekly Boxed Beef Cuts For Prime Product-Negotiated Sales  
LM\_XB462: National Weekly Boxed Beef Cuts For Ungraded Product-Negotiated Sales  
LM\_XB463: National Comprehensive Boxed Beef Cutout-All Fed Steer/Heifer Sales  
National Weekly Boxed Beef Individual Item Summary – Spot and Comprehensive sales of fed steer/heifer beef

- LPGMN will publish these additional summary reports and make them available to the public by Monday, December 16, 2013 and in the LMR database on January 6, 2014.

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**For market information collected on a voluntary basis:**

- Voluntary market reporting for livestock, meat, poultry, eggs, grain, hay, and feedstuff commodities resumed on Thursday, October 17, 2013 by collecting and publishing the current day's market information.
- The majority of the voluntary market information for trading that occurred during the shutdown cannot be recaptured; however, some livestock auctions and grain markets reported by States and production data from other USDA agencies can be made available at a later date.
- Weekly livestock auctions and grain markets covered by State reporters under existing Federal-State Cooperative Agreements during the shutdown period will be manually posted to the Market News web site archive.
- Those markets reported were from the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Georgia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, and Wyoming.
- Information reported in the Weekly Grains Inspected for Export reports is collected by the USDA Grain Inspection, Packers & Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is available, and those respective weekly and monthly reports were manually posted to the Market News web site archive.
- The first Daily Estimated Livestock Slaughter report was published on Thursday, October 17, 2013, which included estimated slaughter numbers for Wednesday and Thursday, as well as the week-to-date.

- Weekly Actual Slaughter and Red Meat Production reports are comprised of Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) data which is aggregated by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). LPGMN will be publishing the actual slaughter reports for week ending 9/21/2013 today. The actual slaughter data for weeks ending 9/28/13 and 10/5/13 will be published next week on October 24, 2013. The actual slaughter data for weeks ending 10/12/13 and 10/19/13 will be published on October 31, 2013.
- Weekly Retail Feature reporting will resume next week, and the first reports will be published on Friday, October 25, 2013.
- Weekly livestock import and export data for Canada and Mexico will be available and those respective reports will be published on the Market News web site archive by next week.

**How to search the Market News report archive for previous reports:**

- Go to the following website for Market News Search:  
<http://search.ams.usda.gov/mnsearch/mnsearch.aspx>.
- In the first section – “Find Results”, enter the slug number of the report you are looking for. This can be found in the upper left hand corner of each text report. For example, for report LM\_HG200, enter “LM” in the “XX” box, enter “HG” in the “YY” box, and enter “200” in the “100” box.
- Click the “Go” button at the bottom of the page and you will get the last 5 years’ worth of published reports.

*The information included in this Notice to the Trade may be updated as additional information or questions arise.*