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## MEMO

To: Potential Dairy Producers

From: Montana Dept. of Livestock, Milk & Egg Bureau

Dear Potential Producer

Thank you for your interest in dairying in Montana! Please review the portion of the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance posted to the web page for additional information as this memo just give a brief outline of dairy requirements.

Detailed construction plans must be submitted to the Department of Livestock prior to construction. The plans must include surroundings, wastewater handling, plumbing, electrical, (including lighting) potable water supply, and materials for floors, walls and ceilings.

The water supply will be tested for coliform prior to licensing and every three years thereafter. Frost free hydrants must be more than 10 feet from the well head. If there is an existing frost free hydrant closer to the well head it must not be used. Sufficient hot water must be available to wash the equipment and the parlor. The more you can contain the wash water the better as the milk and cleaning chemicals are very harsh on floors.

An equipment list must be provided. All equipment must meet 3-A standards. Your inspector will review equipment prior to licensing. When purchasing equipment, make sure that there are no stains, buildup, rough welds, or rough surfaces in the interior of the equipment. 3- A standards are available on the web, <http://www.3-a.org>.

Your herd must be tested for tuberculosis and brucellosis prior to licensing. The animal health division will answer questions regarding testing. Their number is 444-2043.

After reviewing the PMO requirements please call the Sanitarian for your area with any questions.

Thank you and we look forward to working with you!