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Dear Pool Dairyman;

At the February 4, 2016 Board of Milk Control meeting, the board adopted amendments to ARM 32.24.506 and ARM 32.24.511 that pertain to the selection of the Producer Committee (also known as the Quota Committee).

The Board of Milk Control appoints the members of the Producer Committee and is announcing a request for committee applications with this letter. **Applications for appointment to the Producer Committee are due by March 18, 2016 and should be sent to the Milk Control Bureau.** To be eligible to be a committee member, a person must be a pool dairyman who produced pool milk during the month prior to a meeting.

The Producer Committee for the January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2017 term will consist of seven members with three members selected from applicants that ship milk to Darigold-Bozeman, one applicant that ships milk to Meadow Gold – Billings, two applicants that ship milk to Meadow Gold – Great Falls, and one at-large pool dairyman. If an insufficient number of applications are received from pool dairymen shipping milk to a pool plant, then the Board of Milk Control will select an applicant that ships milk to a different pool plant.

The Producer Committee is authorized by ARM 32.24.506, which provides that the committee has authority to approve all transfers of quota and to review all requests for hardship or equitable relief and has authority to control and direct the marketing of surplus milk specified in ARM 32.24.523.

The Producer Committee meets on an as-needed basis. Meetings held to consider a quota transfer request are typically held by conference call. Typically the committee meets in-person in Helena once per year.

Producer Committee members are compensated in the same manner as Board of Milk Control members. The compensation is set by state law (2-15-124(7), MCA) at \$50 per day for each day in which the member is actually and necessarily engaged in the performance of board duties and is also entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses, as provided for in 2-18-501, MCA, through 2-18-503, MCA, incurred while in the performance of board duties. Compensation is paid with Milk Control Bureau funds derived from the milk control assessment established in 81-23-202(2), MCA.

If chosen, committee members are expected to actively participate in carrying out the duties of the committee.

A fillable PDF form version of the application may also be downloaded from http://liv.mt.gov/content/MC/Producer_Committee_Application_2016-02-08.pdf. Please contact the Milk Control Bureau if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. Scott Mitchell
Chair, Board of Milk Control



Board of Milk Control Producer Committee Application Form

Applicant name	Phone no.	Fax no.
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Mailing address

City, state, and ZIP code	E-mail address
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Dairy business name	Pool plant shipped to: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> Darigold - Bozeman Meadow Gold - Great Falls </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> Meadow Gold - Billings </div>
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Current member of committee? (Yes/No) Yes No	Dates served
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Prior member of committee? (Yes/No) Yes No	Dates served
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Why do you want to serve on the committee?

Would you be willing to serve as committee chair? (Yes/No) Yes No

Applicant signature	Date
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Mail, Fax, or E-mail Application to:
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 Helena, MT 59620-2003
 Fax No: (406) 444-1432
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For Board of Milk Control Use:

Appointed? (Yes/No) _____

Term Start Date _____

Pool Plant _____

Board Chair Approval _____

Approval Date _____