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Alfred W Murray
Director – Division of Marketing and Development
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Dear Director Murray:

In reference to your order to staff contained in your Determination of May 17, 2010, as follows:

“I am ordering Department staff, in reliance upon the facts obtained through the hearing, to draft a proposal to address the financial position of dairy producers within the milk marketing chain, which includes procurement, processing, dealers and retailers. This proposal is to be crafted for review by all interested parties by late June 2010 to be the subject of a hearing the week of July 19, 2010 with specific notice to be provided in advance of the day.”

Department staff are still involved as of this date in gathering and reviewing all necessary records related to enforcement of the below-variable-cost regulations, as well as reviewing cost-of-production information submitted by farmers and hearing testimony related to the economics of the dairy industry.

Due to the complexity of this research, I am requesting an extension from the end of June 2010 to July 21, 2010.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel Wunderlich".

Daniel Wunderlich
Coordinator Dairy Program and Enforcement
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