

A plant withdrawn from supply pool plant status may not be reinstated for any subsequent month of March through August unless it fulfills the shipping requirements of this paragraph for such month.

(c) The term “pool plant” shall not apply to the following plants:

(1) A producer-handler plant;

(2) A plant meeting the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section which also meets the pooling requirements of another Federal order and from which, the Secretary determines, there is a greater quantity of route disposition, except filled milk, during the month in such other Federal order marketing area than in this marketing area, except that if such plant was subject to all the provisions of this part in the immediately preceding month, it shall continue to be subject to all the provisions of this part until the third consecutive month in which a greater proportion of its route disposition, except filled milk, is made in such other marketing area unless, notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, it is regulated under such other order;

(3) A plant meeting the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section which also meets the pooling requirements of another Federal order on the basis of route disposition in such other marketing area and from which, the Secretary determines, there is a greater quantity of route disposition, except filled milk, during the month in this marketing area than in such other marketing area but which plant is, nevertheless, fully regulated under such other Federal order; and

(4) Any distributing plant from which there is less than an average of 300 pounds of route disposition per day, except filled milk, in the marketing area during the month.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 61 FR 55206, Oct. 25, 1996, in §1137.7(b), the words “plant which has qualified as a” and “of March through August” were suspended, effective Sept. 1, 1996 through Feb. 28, 1997.

#### § 1137.8 Nonpool plant.

*Nonpool plant* means any milk or filled milk receiving, manufacturing or processing plant other than a pool plant. The following categories of

nonpool plants are further defined as follows:

(a) *Other order plant* means a plant that is fully subject to the pricing and pooling provisions of another order issued pursuant to the Act.

(b) *Producer-handler plant* means a plant operated by a producer-handler as defined in any order (including this part) issued pursuant to the Act.

(c) *Partially regulated distributing plant* means a nonpool plant that is neither an other order plant nor a producer-handler plant, from which there is route disposition in consumer-type packages or dispenser units in the marketing area during the month.

(d) *Unregulated supply plant* means a nonpool plant which is neither an other order plant nor a producer-handler plant from which fluid milk products are moved during the month to a pool plant.

#### § 1137.9 Handler.

*Handler* means:

(a) Any person in his capacity as the operator of one or more pool plants;

(b) A cooperative association with respect to the milk of its member producers which it causes to be diverted for its account pursuant to §1137.12;

(c) A cooperative association with respect to the milk of its member producers which is received from the farm for delivery to the pool plant of another handler in a tank truck owned and operated by or under contract to such cooperative association, if the cooperative association notifies the market administrator and the operator of the pool plant to whom the milk is delivered, in writing prior to the first day of the month in which the milk is delivered, that it elects to be the handler for all such milk. Such milk shall be deemed to have been received by such cooperative association at the location of the pool plant to which delivered;

(d) Any person who operates a partially regulated distributing plant;

(e) A producer-handler; and

(f) Any person who operates an other order plant described in §1137.7(c).

#### § 1137.10 Producer-handler.

(a) *Producer-handler* means any person who operates a dairy farm and a milk processing plant from which there