

performance standards for the current month because of unavoidable circumstances determined by the market administrator to be beyond the control of the handler operating the plant, such as a natural disaster (ice storm, wind storm, flood), fire, breakdown of equipment, or work stoppage, shall be considered to have met the minimum performance standards during the period of such unavoidable circumstances, but such relief shall not be granted for more than two consecutive months.

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

(1) A producer-handler plant or exempt distributing plant;

(2) A plant that is fully subject to the pricing and pooling provisions of another order issued pursuant to the Act, unless it is qualified as a pool plant pursuant to paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of this section and a greater volume of fluid milk products, except filled milk, is disposed of from such plant in this marketing area as route disposition and to pool plants qualified on the basis of route disposition in this marketing area than is so disposed of in the marketing area regulated pursuant to such other order; and

(3) That portion of a plant that is physically separated from the Grade A portion of such plant, and is not approved by any regulatory agency for the receiving, processing, or packaging of any fluid milk product for Grade A disposition.

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§ 1030.8 Nonpool plant.

Nonpool plant means a plant (except a pool plant) which receives milk from dairy farmers or is a milk or filled milk manufacturing, processing or bottling 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 not an other order plant, a producer-handler plant, or an exempt distributing plant and 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 that is not an other order plant, a producer-handler plant, or an exempt distributing plant from which fluid milk products are shipped during the month to a pool plant.

(e) *Exempt distributing plant* means a distributing plant operated by a governmental agency.

§ 1030.9 Handler.

Handler means:

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

(b) Any cooperative association with respect to producer milk which it causes to be diverted from a pool plant of another handler pursuant to § 1030.13 for the account of such cooperative association;

(c) Any cooperative association with respect to milk of its 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;

(d) Any person in his capacity as the operator of a partially regulated distributing plant;

(e) A producer-handler;

(f) Any person in his capacity as the operator of an other order plant that is either a distributing plant or a supply plant; or

(g) Any person in his capacity as a broker negotiating a purchase or sale of fluid milk products or fluid cream products from or to a person described in paragraph (a) or (d) of this section.

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§ 1030.10 Producer-handler.

Producer-handler means any person who operates a dairy farm and a distributing plant and who has route disposition in the marketing area of only fluid milk products of such person's