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FB-701 ♦ USDA Food Ordering & Customer Service (FOCUS) Team Update

## Group A Pre-Surveys Released for School Year 2008

Pre-surveys for Livestock, Poultry (with the exception of Turkey Products), and Fruit and Vegetables were released and are available. The turkey program for the new school year is still under review and will be finalized soon.

These pre-surveys reflect our School Entitlement ordering plans for SY 2008 which is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. As a reminder, Pre-surveys are a mechanism that recipient agencies can use to submit their requisitions to the state office, well before the round surveys are released. Some of you are familiar with the pre-surveys but here are some basic points to remember when working with them:

- The pre-surveys remain available to you in ECOS, until the actual survey is released (tentatively set for opening mid February 2007 for most).
- Any requisitions placed in ECOS for the pre-surveys will display on the **Requisition Rollup Summary Page**.
- The Requisition Rollup Commodity worksheet can be used to make full truckloads, associate splits, and make adjustments.
- Pre-surveys will not allow orders to go into PCIMS until the actual survey is released and you have rolled up your orders.
- When the surveys are converted to regular Round Surveys and released, then requisitions can be rolled up to PCIMS to become a delivery order.

If you have not rolled ECOS to your recipient agencies, you can do the following:

- (1) enter requisitions
- (2) use the information in your state system for planning purposes
- (3) wait and act on the actual survey

Pre-surveys simply give you more time to work on your requisitions. Many of you have experience working with the pre-surveys since most Bonus surveys are handled in this manner.

For a summary of the SY2008 commodity offerings for Group A and B for Schools, CACF, and SFSP, please use the ECOS Round Survey Report for all active surveys. Also, please review all ECOS generated email notifications for any changes or additional survey and commodity offerings throughout the school year.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Keep in mind that there could be additional surveys and/or commodities later in the year as market conditions change. For additional information please contact the appropriate specialist listed below:

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Thanks to all of you for your continued support and for a successful new school year!

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