

Important Reminder: As the BCMMB has communicated through previous newsletters and notices, this will be the last producer statement and newsletter physically mailed to BC producers. All future newsletters will be available on our website and your producer statements within your MMS account.

Producer Component Prices

The producer component prices for the month of July are as follows: BF=\$16.5649, PT=\$2.5030, OS=\$0.6674. The average BC producer hectoliter return for the month is \$78.9436 compared to \$80.9696 in June, a decrease of \$2.0259. This larger than normal decrease in producer return is due to the equalization payment charged to the producer pool in July for the production month of June which was \$3,644,274, or more than a \$1M increase over the prior month. Due to a higher mix of special class utilization and adjustments in the P5, this payment was higher for BC and all the WMP provinces.



BC Continuous Quota Position
June 2019 **Actual 0.36%**

Milk Management System (MMS): Thank you to Producers!

The Board wishes to thank producers for their quick uptake of the new system. We are happy to report that more than 64% of producers have logged into the system as of August 14. Also, a reminder that in order to continue receiving milk quality test results emails, you must set this up in the new system. Please see the Notice: NTP Milk Quality Test results August 7 – [Notice](#). If you have any questions on MMS or need assistance, please contact the Milk Board staff at (604) 556-3444.

BCMMD Member to be appointed by the Milk Industry Advisory Committee (MIAC)

A Board member is due to be appointed by MIAC with an effective date of November 27, 2019 for a three-year term. (Reference: BCMMD Election and Appointment Rules and Procedures, May 2018). The BC MIAC invites applications from qualified individuals, who are keen to make an active contribution to the dairy industry. This Board Member cannot be a licensed producer. To apply for an interview, qualified applicants are asked to please send their resume via email, in confidence, **by September 13, 2019 to:** miac@bcmilk.com **Attention:** Walter Goerzen, Chair

Organic Industrial Premium

Effective July 1, 2019 the Board introduced a \$0.15/litre premium to industrial organic processors after recommendations were received from the Specialty Products Advisory Committee (SPAC). Organic producers will receive a minimum return of \$0.28/litre on in-quota milk over the next year while the Board reviews the current premium for organic producers.

Please click on the following link for full details: [Notice to Producers-Organic Industrial Premium-June 18, 2019](#)

NTP Organic 7% Sleeve

Organic production requirements increased effective September 1, 2019. Organic producers will receive a temporary 7% increase to their current quota holdings for the period of September 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020.

Please click on the following link for full details: [Notice to Organic Producers-Organic Sleeve Production of 7%-August 1, 2019](#)

NTP Plate Cooler Use & Maintenance

Plate coolers are often overlooked when it comes to equipment maintenance. Gasket deterioration is a main concern for plate coolers as black particles can contaminate a farm's milk supply and result with milk being rejected at the farm or at the processing plant.

Please click on the following link for full details: [Notice to Producers-Plate Cooler Use & maintenance-April 25, 2019](#)

Provincial Freight

The producer freight rate calculations for the months of June and July are summarized below:

Freight Rates (\$/hl)	June	July
Zone Transportation Costs	3.22	3.16
Less: Vendor Billings	(0.12)	(0.12)
Gross Provincial Freight Rate	3.10	3.04
Add: Train/Volume Discounts	0.34	0.34
Less: Stop/Extra Pick-Up Charges	(0.16)	(0.15)
Transportation Department Costs	0.00	0.00
Adjustments from Prior Period	(0.10)	(0.08)
Net Provincial Freight Rate	3.18	3.15

Continuous Quota

Cumulative Over/Under Production (with limits) as of:

	June 2019	%*
	Kg of BF	
NL	(269,841)	-11.70%
P5	79,234	0.03%
WMP	(804,288)	-0.83%
P10	(994,895)	-0.26%
BC	123,346	0.36%

*Cumulative Over/Under Production (with limits) expressed as a % of the most recent 12 months total quota.

Milk Quality Report

The provincial averages and quality bonus data based on the official milk quality tests for June and July are:

Milk Quality Data	June	July
Individual Bacteria Count	24,758	27,572
Somatic Cell Count	173,559	183,755
Quality Bonus Qualifiers(%)	72.52%	65.33%

Producer Payments

Participants in the August | September | October Pools will receive their payments as follows:

Month of Production:	Advance Payment	Final Payment
August	Sep 03	Sep 19
September	Oct 01	Oct 18
October	Nov 01	Nov 20

Credit Transfer Average Prices

Effective July 01	Conventional	Organic
Average Price	\$7.92	\$4.50

A Summary of Credit Transfer Statistics can be found at bcmilk.com with other credit transfer documents.

Quota Management: Important Dates

Application Deadlines	Date & Time	Effective Date(s)
Quota Exchange	Sep 3 @ 1:00pm	Oct 1
CDQ Buy/Sell of Credits	Aug 23 @ 1:00pm	Aug 1 Sep 1

If you have any questions, please contact:
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 Pam Gregory 604.854.4474 pgregory@bcmilk.com

MMS: Receiving Lab Test Results

MMS: For the primary account holder to receive lab test results

Once signed into your producer account in MMS, click on the "Test Results" dropdown on the left side of the screen and select "Producer Test Notification".

From there click on "create" and fill in your email address. You can select specific test results to receive, or you can click the box that states, "Notify whenever new test results are processed and available online" and click "save."

This will enable all new test results to be emailed to the address entered. A step by step guide is available on page 31 of the MMS user guide, available here [MMS User Guide](#)

Quota Management: Producers wanting to participate on the Quota Exchange

Effective August 1, 2019, producers wanting to place a bid or offer on the BCMMB Quota Exchange must do so by logging into the MMS site at <https://portal.nitamms.com/login>. When you log into the MMS site, the dashboard on the left has a section named "Quota Exchange".

Other than where specifically indicated below, only applications processed through the MMS site will be accepted.

Important please also note the following:

Only the Registered Quota holder account can be used to access the Quota Exchange section.

This function cannot be shared with a sub account user.

Partnerships: When placing a bid/offer, all producers who are a partnership (2 or more authorized signatories) must place their bid/offer and ensure to upload a completed application form signed by all authorized signatories.

Downsizing: A producer downsizing can submit an offer to sell any amount up to line (A) on the Quota Letter, available by clicking on the "Quota Letter" button.

Quitting: A producer who wants to sell "all" quota and "quit" production, must contact the Kathy Wallis @ 604.854.4471 or kwallis@bcmilk.com a minimum of 3 business days in advance of the deadline to obtain a Quota Letter outlining Total Quota available to Sell on the QEX, as well as other pertinent details and requirements with respect to ceasing production.

Organic: Organic Producers must contact the Quota Officer if they wish to buy or sell on the Quota Exchange.

Payment method for quota bid: choose "Pre-Authorized Debit" if you have a PAD agreement on file, or "Cheque" for either paying by cheque or a direct deposit from your financial institution.

