

# Statement on Dairy Size

- The Western Organic Dairy Producers Alliance supports all organic dairies regardless of size or ownership that follow the intent and spirit of the current NOP, as well as adhere to our specific policies regarding pasture use and replacement females as stated in our Replacement Ruling Resolution and the Pasture Ruling Resolution passed on September 26, 2007, at the 2nd Annual WODPA Conference, in Corvallis, OR. Passed October 22, 2008

# Dairy Size Resolution

WHEREAS organic dairy operations may be of variable size, scope and geographic location,

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WHEREAS all organically certified dairies, regardless of size, are expected to uphold the full intent of the NOP,

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Western Organic Dairy Producers Alliance supports all organic dairies, regardless of size, that adhere to WODPA policies regarding pasture use and replacement females as stated in the WODPA Replacement Ruling Resolution and the Pasture Ruling Resolution. Passed October 22, 2008

# Position Statement on Base Price Requirements

- WODPA producers require a minimum base price of \$30/cwt (on a 3.5% BF and 8.7% SNF basis) to be sustainable. Passed October 22, 2008.

# Position Statement on Certifiers

- WODPA will work with the other ODPA's to develop a rating structure for all organic certifying agencies in order that we eliminate the substantial damaging variability in the certification process. Passed October 22, 2008

# Position Statement on Costs

- Organic dairy producers receive 24% of the retail milk price, an unacceptably low percentage of the food dollar. WODPA will work with consumer groups toward a higher return to producers. Passed on October 22, 2008

# Position Statement on Confidentiality

- WODPA supports the elimination of confidentiality contracts (between producers and processors) to improve the level of transparency in organic milk pricing. Passed on October 22, 2008