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In the Central region, milk production and component levels are declining week-to-week, but both remain up from this time last year. Contacts say cream volumes are tightening but spot availability remains sufficient to meet current demand from ice cream and butter makers. Butter makers are actively churning and some report they are freezing butter for use later in the year. Food service butter demand is light, and retail sales are softening. International prices for 82 percent butterfat butter remain high compared to butter produced domestically. Contacts say this is contributing to strong export butter demand. Spot loads of butter are available for purchasing.

Prices for: Central U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Grade AA, Conventional, and Edible Butter

Bulk Basis Pricing - 80% Butterfat \$/LB: -0.0100 - +0.0400

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