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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY For Delivery the Week of 28-APR-2008

| | RANGE | MAJORITY | WTD AVG | LOADS |
|---------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| CHICAGO | 71-86.75 | 75-78 | 77.06 | 25 |

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY – 82.00

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG. – 81.07

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed PRELIMINARY weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

| ITEM | WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND) | VOLUME (000) POUNDS |
|------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| LINE RUN TENDERS | 176.50 | 1,118 |
| BREASTS - B/S | 147.00 | 4,997 |
| BREASTS - WHOLE | 84.50 | 1,124 |
| THIGH MEAT - B/S | 123.00 | 1,019 |
| LEG QUARTERS | 45.50 | 7,713 |
| WINGS | 111.50 | 2,427 |

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR W/E 26-APR-08

| | Current Week | Previous Week |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Broiler/fryer | 166,653 | 168,876 |

MIDWEST BROILER/FRYER - Preliminary majority delivered prices on next week's trade into the Chicago market increased. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to firm. Offers were light on a limited to moderate trade call. Retail demand was light to fairly good, best into areas of good weather and weekend features. Food service movement was light to moderate; best activity noted into fast food. Floor stocks were short to fully adequate; weights desirable. Parts trade was moderate on eight-piece cut-up, whole and boneless/skinless breast, and limited on wings and dark meat varied. Breast and dark meat lines were adequate to in close balance, and wings were available. The market tone was steady to firm on dark meat and breast cuts; wings were steady to weak.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, DENTS PER LB, DELIVERED, (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) W/E APR 25, 2008

| 8-16 LB HENS | CURRENT | LAST | SAME WEEK | 16-24 LB TOMS | CURRENT | LAST | SAME WEEK |
|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| | WEEK | WEEK | YEAR AGO | | WEEK | WEEK | YEAR AGO |
| EASTERN REGION | 86.25 | 87.00 | 75.20** | EASTERN REGION | 87.30** | 85.60** | 75.20** |
| CENTRAL REGION | 87.30** | 85.60** | 75.20** | CENTRAL REGION | 86.00 | 85.60** | 74.00 |
| WESTERN REGION | 92.00 | 85.60** | 75.20** | WESTERN REGION | 91.00 | 85.60** | 75.20** |

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 19-APR-2008 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS

| | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Head | 165,918 |
| Avg Wt | 5.59 |
| Last week | 165,977 |
| Same wk yr ago | 159,610 |
| Avg Wt | 5.50 |
| To-date/2008 | 2,610,449 |
| To-date/2007 | 2,506,105 |

LIVE TURKEYS SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

YOUNG HENS YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS

| | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|
| Head | 1,993 | 2,719 |
| Avg Wt | 16.20 | 38.70 |
| Last week | 1,872 | 2,658 |
| Same wk yr ago | 2,039 | 2,597 |
| Avg Wt | 16.80 | 37.98 |
| To-date/2008 | 30,118 | 43,685 |
| To-date/2007 | 29,686 | 40,094 |

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated

| | PRICE | RANGE | WTD AVG |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| 112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy | 494.00 | 550.00 | 510.21 |
| 168 3 Round, top inside round | 190.80 | 205.00 | 191.12 |
| 180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1 | 590.65 | 610.00 | 599.95 |
| Ground Beef 81% | 141.60 | 153.49 | 145.09 |

Source: USDA/AMS, Livestock and Grain Market News