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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 25-APR-08

| DATE | PRODUCTION (000) | | ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY | | | |
|--------|------------------|-------------|--|----------------|------------|-----|
| | Actual Slaughter | Live Weight | Price Range | Weighted Price | # of Boxes | |
| 04/21 | 2,285 | 6.06 | 72-87 | (A) | (A) | |
| 04/22 | 2,317 | 5.96 | 72-88 | (A) | (A) | |
| 04/23 | 2,248 | 5.87 | 72-87 | (A) | (A) | |
| 04/24 | 2,223 | 5.85 | 74-91 | (A) | (A) | |
| 04/25 | 2,406 | 5.86 | 74-89 | (A) | (A) | |
| Weekly | 11,479 | 5.92 | Cumulative: | | (A) | (A) |

(A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 28-APR-08

| Weighted Averages for: | Current Week | Last Week | Year Ago |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|
| New York | 78.24 | 75.05 | 74.55 |
| Chicago | 77.27 | 74.09 | 73.99 |
| Detroit | 79.56 | 76.43 | 78.38 |
| Los Angeles | 88.98 | 88.90 | 84.86 |
| Composite Weighted Average | 80.57 | 78.90 | 78.35 |

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 25-APR-2008

| | Weekly Weighted Average Price | Total Volume/Pounds |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Breast - B/S | 139.76 | 4,150,650 |
| Tenderloins | 131.29 | 691,500 |
| Breast - With Ribs | 86.33 | 443,160 |
| Breast - Line Run | 81.23 | 307,800 |
| Legs | 67.87 | 930,200 |
| Leg Quarters (Bulk) | 47.04 | 947,720 |
| Drumsticks | 69.32 | 328,700 |
| Thighs | 67.46 | 300,320 |
| B/S Thighs | 123.56 | 303,500 |
| Wings (Whole) | 95.06 | 854,047 |

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 19-APR-08

| | Current Week | Last Week | 10-Weeks Prior | 7-Weeks Prior |
|---------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| Eggs Set | 215,495 | 217,465 | 217,271 | 219,830 |
| Chicks Placed | 177,173 | 178,594 | 176,413 | 177,627 |

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 19-APR-08

| | Current Week | Last Week | Year Ago |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|
| Head (000) | 165,918 | 165,977 | 159,610 |
| Average Live Weight | 5.59 | 5.57 | 5.50 |
| To Date 2008 (000) | 2,610,449 | 2,444,531 | ----- |
| To Date 2007 (000) | 2,506,105 | 2,346,495 | ----- |

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **March 31, 2008** were up 3 % from the previous month and up 28 % from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 4 % from the previous month and up 31 % from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 3 % from last month and up 24 percent from March 31, 2007.

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