

## Producer Component Prices

The producer component prices for the month of May are as follows: BF=\$16.9593, PT=\$2.5565, OS=\$0.6885. The average BC producer hectoliter return for the month is \$81.5484 compared to \$82.2428 in April, a decrease of \$0.6944. Class 1 utilization for the province was again over the 40% mark which is helping to support the producer return in BC, but growing equalization payments to the WMP and decreasing Special Class payments from the P10 are drawing down the return overall.

The net equalization payment charged to the producer pool in May for the production month of April was \$2,618,571.

## The Milk Management System (MMS) on track to go live in August: What you Need to Know

The MMS system is currently in its final testing stages. The Board expects to go live with the system in August 2019.

The key changes that will affect producers include:

- 1) There will be a new producer secure website (linked to the main BCMMB website)
- 2) Quota buying and selling will be conducted through an online application
- 3) New producer statement design
- 4) Access from mobile devices

Creating a new Master Login Password will be very important and should be kept secure, similar to your banking PIN. You will be able to set up “sub-accounts/passwords” for others working on behalf of your farm, like managers, accountants and feed representatives.

Once the “go-live” date is established, the Board will issue a *Notice to Producers* and more information will be coming, including a schedule for local workshops and webinars to demonstrate how to set up your new producer account (and sub-accounts) and explain how to use the website for quota management, viewing lab results, pickup history and understanding the new statements.

## BC Continuous Quota Position

April 2019 **Actual -0.32%**

## Notice to Producers

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## Important: Producer Licences

The annual licence fee and levies for new Producer Licences effective August 1, 2019 will be deducted from the final June producer milk pay to be deposited on July 18, 2019.

Licences effective August 1<sup>st</sup> will be mailed out in mid to late July. The new licence must be displayed for August 1, 2019, in clear view for the transporter, in the milk house preferably next to your Dairy Farm Licence issued by the BC Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock Health Management and Regulation.

If you have any questions with respect to your producer licencing, please contact Kathy [kwallis@bcmilk.com](mailto:kwallis@bcmilk.com) or 604.854.4471.

## New Consolidated Order amalgamated June 7, 2019

The BC Milk Marketing Board amalgamated the September 1, 2013 consolidated order and all amending orders approved by the Milk Board from September 1, 2013 to June 7, 2019. The Board used this review of the orders as an opportunity to provide clarity to administrative policies and update terminology to reflect industry practice. The document has been posted on our website for your review.

### Provincial Freight

The producer freight rate calculations for the months of April and May are summarized below:

Freight Rates (\$/hl)	April	May
Zone Transportation Costs	3.12	3.17
Less: Vendor Billings	(0.12)	(0.11)
Gross Provincial Freight Rate	3.00	3.06
Add: Train/Volume Discounts	0.34	0.34
Less: Stop/Extra Pick-Up Charges	(0.14)	(0.16)
Transportation Department Costs	0.00	0.00
Adjustments from Prior Period	0.05	(0.16)
<b>Net Provincial Freight Rate</b>	<b>3.25</b>	<b>3.08</b>

### Continuous Quota

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

	April 2019 Kg of BF	%*
NL	(178,955)	-8.19%
P5	(1,460,573)	-0.52%
WMP	(1,489,071)	-1.53%
P10	(3,118,599)	-0.82%
BC	(110,272)	-0.32%

\*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 April and May are:

Milk Quality Data	April	May
Individual Bacteria Count	19,670	25,304
Somatic Cell Count	161,340	164,065
Quality Bonus Qualifiers(%)	78.86%	75.69%

### Producer Payments

Participants in the May | June | July Pools will receive their payments as follows:

Month of Production:	Advance Payment	Final Payment
June	Jul 02	Jul 18
July	Aug 01	Aug 20
August	Sep 3	Sep 19

### Credit Transfer Average Prices

Effective May 1	Conventional	Organic
Average Price	\$9.93	\$5.17

A Summary of Credit Transfer Statistics can be found at [bcmilk.com](http://bcmilk.com) with other credit transfer documents.

### Quota Management: Important Dates

Application Deadlines	Date & Time	Effective Date(s)
Quota Exchange	Jul 2 @ 1:00pm	Aug 1
CDQ Buy/Sell of Credits	Jun 25 @ 1:00pm	Jun 1 Jul 1

If you have any questions, please contact:

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### Reminder: Organic Producers

All organic producers are required to have a current organic certificate on file with the BCMMB office and must provide the certificate as soon as they receive it. These certificates are supplied directly to organic processors and the Board must have the most up to date certificate on file, or you are at risk of not having your milk picked up as organic. It is the producer's responsibility to ensure that the BCMMB has the most up to date organic certificate on file.

**Important:** We require an updated certificate annually, as processor certifiers do not accept certificates that have passed their anniversary or inspection date.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Woody Siemens at 604.854.4486 or [wsiemens@bcmilk.com](mailto:wsiemens@bcmilk.com) or send your updated organic certificates directly to Lori Sharpe [lsharpe@bcmilk.com](mailto:lsharpe@bcmilk.com)

### Reminder: Incentive Days August-December 2019

Based on the most recent available data, the Board determined that the fall incentive days policy will be applied between August – December 2019. This period was chosen to reflect the fall period where requirements are high, and production is seasonally low.

The Board will not extend this program into January 2020 as market requirements are projected to be low for that month and additional milk supply will not be required; details of the policy are provided in the link below:

Please click the following link to see the complete notice: [Notice to Producers – Incentive Days – April 25, 2019](#)

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