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Tuesday July 18, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

A grade steers Price reported for Monday July 17,2006:160.00-161.00
A grade heifers Not Reported.

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at: **Brussels Livestock –440 fed cattle, 150 cows.**

	Price Range	Top
Choice steers & heifers	91.00-96.00	103.75
Second cut cattle	88.00-91.00	

Fed steers and heifers traded \$1.00 lower.

Today at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange–82 cows, 230 veal**

	Price Range
Cows	33.00-47.00
Veal: Good Hol	89.00-96.00
Good Beef	110.00-126.00
Med Hol	80.00-88.00
Heavy Hol	75.00-88.00
Plain Hol	65.00-75.00

Cows traded steady while veal sold at prices \$2.00 to \$4.00 higher.

Ontario auction sales on **Monday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Cows	26.07-41.47	33.17	62.00
Veal calves +600	74.12-99.53	84.57	126.00
Veal calves -125	123.81-284.83	216.29	310.00

U.S. TRADE (U.S. funds)

U.S. cash cattle trade is untested today with bids \$5-\$6 lower than asking prices. Business is not expected to develop until Thursday with asking prices at \$83.00-\$84.00 live and \$132.00 dressed.

Choice and select steers and heifers: Live N/T
Rail N/T

PROVINCIAL SLAUGHTER

	June 2006	June 2005
Steers	4,403	5,732
Heifers	2,775	3,398
Cows	2,001	2,561
Bulls	871	1,065

U.S. BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES (U.S. funds)

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	146.42	125.29
Change: (from Friday's close)	+0.07	-0.33
Current 5 day average:	148.52	126.73

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures for today were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$		
\$/cwt US			\$/cwt US			\$/bu US ¢/bu			\$/bu US ¢/bu					
Aug	82.70	-0.22	Aug	113.55	+0.20	Sep	2.464	-5.0	Aug	5.890	-1.0	Spot	88.04	-0.06
Oct	86.57	+0.00	Sept	113.32	+0.42	Dec	2.624	-5.4	Sep	5.964	-0.6	Sep	88.20	-0.06
Dec	87.57	-0.32	Oct	112.82	+0.45	Mar	2.752	-4.6	Nov	6.110	-0.2	Dec	88.47	-0.06
Feb	89.87	-0.15	Nov	110.92	+0.45	May	2.834	-4.2	Jan	6.230	-0.2	Mar	88.73	-0.06

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