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**Thursday October 13, 2005**

**ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE**

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

**A grade steers** Unestablished

**A grade heifers** Unestablished

**ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE**

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange - 700 fed cattle, 400 cows & 400 stockers**

|                             | Price Range   | Top    |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------|
| <b>Good fed steers</b>      | 90.00-98.75   | 100.50 |
| <b>Good fed heifers</b>     | 88.00-97.75   | 98.50  |
| <b>Cows</b>                 | 25.00-36.50   | 78.00  |
| <b>Holstein steers</b>      | 67.00-81.75   |        |
| <b>Stocker steers +700</b>  | 98.00-118.00  |        |
| <b>Lightweight steers</b>   | 115.00-143.00 |        |
| <b>Stocker heifers +700</b> | 89.00-110.00  |        |
| <b>Lightweight heifers</b>  | 101.00-115.50 |        |

Fed cattle sold barely steady, cows were \$2 easier and stockers sold steady.

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 1,350 replacement cattle**

| STEERS         | Price Range   | Top    | HEIFERS        | Price Range   | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|
| <b>900-999</b> | 100.50-110.00 | 110.00 | <b>+900</b>    |               |        |
| <b>800-899</b> | 101.25-116.50 | 117.00 | <b>800-899</b> | 100.50-111.25 | 111.25 |
| <b>700-799</b> | 114.75-123.50 | 123.50 | <b>700-799</b> | 90.50-107.75  | 112.50 |
| <b>600-699</b> | 122.00-143.50 | 146.00 | <b>600-699</b> | 105.00-115.50 | 115.50 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 129.00-147.50 | 159.00 | <b>500-599</b> | 108.00-133.00 | 133.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 139.00-161.50 | 162.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 114.00-139.00 | 143.00 |

All replacement cattle sold actively at stronger prices.

Ontario Auction Sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

|  | Price Range | Avg.  | Top    |
|--|-------------|-------|--------|
| Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250  | 87.00-96.00 | 91.04 | 103.00 |
| Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 | 78.00-93.00 | 87.07 | 105.00 |
| Cows                                   | 22.06-38.02 | 30.94 | 70.00  |
| Bulls                                  | 38.00-76.00 | 56.17 | 86.00  |

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, October 12, 2005**

| STEERS         | Price Range   | Top    | HEIFERS        | Price Range   | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|
| <b>+1000</b>   | 99.50-116.50  | 116.50 | <b>+900</b>    | 91.25-107.50  | 107.50 |
| <b>900-999</b> | 108.00-117.50 | 117.50 | <b>700-799</b> | 88.50-108.75  | 110.50 |
| <b>800-899</b> | 106.50-116.25 | 120.25 | <b>500-599</b> | 104.00-122.00 | 122.00 |
| <b>700-799</b> | 96.50-116.50  | 124.00 |                |               |        |

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was light with prices \$1-2 higher

|                |             |             |                  |               |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Steers</b>  | <b>Live</b> | 85.00-86.00 | <b>Flat rail</b> | 143.00-143.25 |
| <b>Heifers</b> | <b>Live</b> | 85.00-85.90 | <b>Flat rail</b> | 142.00-144.00 |

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

U.S. cash cattle trade was active in the north with the south still at a standstill.

|  |             |                 |
|--|-------------|-----------------|
| <b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b> | <b>Live</b> | N/T             |
|  | <b>Rail</b> | \$139.00-140.00 |

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

|   | <b>Choice<br/>600-900</b> | <b>Select<br/>600-900</b> |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)   | 143.41                    | 129.77                    |
| <b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close) | -1.06                     | -0.41                     |
| <b>Current 5 day average:</b>           | 143.01                    | 130.13                    |

**CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE**

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

| <b>Live Cattle</b> |       |       | <b>Feeder Cattle</b> |        |       | <b>Corn</b>      |       |      | <b>Soybeans</b>  |       |      | <b>Canadian \$</b> |       |       |
|--------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|--------|-------|------------------|-------|------|------------------|-------|------|--------------------|-------|-------|
| \$/cwt US          |       |       | \$/cwt US            |        |       | \$/bu US    ¢/bu |       |      | \$/bu US    ¢/bu |       |      |                    |       |       |
| <b>Oct</b>         | 91.45 | +0.67 | <b>Oct</b>           | 119.57 | +1.00 | <b>Dec</b>       | 2.034 | -2.2 | <b>Nov</b>       | 5.882 | -0.6 | <b>Spot</b>        | 84.46 | -0.94 |
| <b>Dec</b>         | 91.95 | +0.75 | <b>Nov</b>           | 117.87 | +1.05 | <b>Mar</b>       | 2.162 | -2.0 | <b>Jan</b>       | 6.014 | +0.4 | <b>Dec</b>         | 84.58 | -1.03 |
| <b>Feb</b>         | 93.75 | +0.72 | <b>Jan</b>           | 114.97 | +1.00 | <b>May</b>       | 2.240 | -2.0 | <b>Mar</b>       | 6.060 | -0.4 | <b>Mar</b>         | 84.82 | -1.03 |
| <b>Apr</b>         | 90.30 | +0.52 | <b>Mar</b>           | 110.20 | +0.85 | <b>Jul</b>       | 2.306 | -2.4 | <b>May</b>       | 6.106 | -1.2 | <b>May</b>         | 85.07 | -1.03 |

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