

# **“Forces Shaping the U.S. Dairy Industry”**

**A Workshop**

**Sponsored by: Economic Research Service and the Farm Foundation**

**September 25, 2002, Waugh Auditorium**

- 8:30am**      **Registration and Coffee**
- 9:00am**      **Welcome and Overview of Developing ERS Dairy Research Objectives—  
Neil Conklin, Director, Market and Trade Economics Division (MTED)**
- 9:30am**      **Farm-level Structural changes  
Don Blayney--ERS (introductions)  
John Smith--Kansas State University  
Bob Cropp—University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Short Q and A**
- 10:15am**      **Changing markets and "demands"(including processing/manufacturing  
structural change and potential international factors  
Jim Miller--ERS (introductions)  
Larry Hamm--Michigan State  
Mark Stephenson—Cornell  
Short Q and A**
- 11:00am**      **Dairy policy  
Janet Perry—ERS (introductions)  
Hal Harris--Clemson University  
Bruce Gardner--University of Maryland  
Short Q and A**
- Noon-1pm**      **Lunch (catered in ERS Building)**
- Three smaller group meetings during the lunch break to further discuss  
topics of the morning sessions. Individual “leaders” to direct the discussion  
and report back at the beginning of the afternoon session.**

- 1:15**            **ERS involvement in recent projects**  
**Don Blayney—(moderator)**
- 1.     Short summary of lunch-time discussions**
  - 2.     Dairy studies mandated by 2002 Farm Act**  
  
**Mary Anne Normile--ERS plans for carrying out the mandated studies**
  - 3.     Monte Vandever--Dairy Risk Assessment and Management.**
- Discussion of the plan, comments and Q and A**
- 2:30pm**        **BREAK**
- 3:00pm**        **Information exchange and wrap-up**  
**Don Blayney( introductions):**
- Mary Bohman, Deputy Director for Research, MTED—Wrap-up comments/observations**
- 4:00pm**        **Adjourn**