

# Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Growth of U.S. Dairy Exports

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB, TB, SOR,) SOR

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information  
USDA [ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: From 2004 to 2014, the value of U.S. dairy product exports more than quadrupled, and the United States became the world's third largest dairy product exporter. This was a significant change for an industry previously focused on domestic rather than international demand. As incomes increased in developing countries, demand for dairy products increased. As the United States has become more of a global dairy market player, the U.S. dairy market has been challenged with greater variability in demand and prices. The United States, as both a top producer and consumer, has a pivotal role to play, but will compete with other large dairy producers such as New Zealand, the European Union, and Australia, to increase market share in the future. This report examines the implications of U.S. dairy export trends on domestic and international dairy markets.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers  
[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 08/03/15 End: 01/15/2016 Completed: 01/15/2016

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization  
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No



