# Northeast Organic Dairy

# Producers Alliance 6th Annual Field Days 2006

#### **Northeast Organic Dairy Producers Alliance**

#### Mission Statement:

To enable organic family dairy farmers, situated across an extensive area, to have informed discussion about matters critical to the well being of the organic dairy industry as a whole.

#### **NODPA Goals:**

- Establishing a fair and sustainable price for organic dairy farmers' product at the wholesale level.
- Promoting ethical, ecological and economically sustainable farming practices.
- Developing networks with producers and processors of other organic commodities to strengthen the infrastructure within the industry.
- Establishing open dialogue with organic dairy processors and retailers in order to better influence producer pay price and to contribute to marketing efforts.

## **Priority 1: Pay Price**

- Pay price increased by at least \$4 per cwt in six months
- Cost of transitioning recognized by processors who invested cash in their future
- No noticeable increase in retail price
- Demand for fluid organic continues to increase at 23% per year

## **Priority 2: Pasture**







... "there is enough survey and anecdotal evidence to be convincing that cows pro-duce more lactations when grazed".

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### **Farmers Relief Fund**

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