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Alejandro Santacoloma, President
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Dear Mr. Santacoloma:

In response to your request for an allocation, and based on our review of documents you sent, the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) grants Andino Energy Enterprises, L.L.C. (Andino) a Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 cane sugar allocation of 25,266 short tons, raw value. This amount coincides with the 17 signed grower petitions you sent, requesting CCC to transfer allocation associated with production history at their current mills based on specified sugarcane tonnage and acres. Since there is no current record of history associated with these acres and tonnage, CCC applied the average Louisiana recovery rate over the 2000 through 2006 crop years, 11.67%, to calculate production to be used to assign allocation.

CCC is not reducing allocations at the other Louisiana mills at this time because the FY 2009 raw cane sugar allotment is expected to be considerably larger than the domestic raw cane sugar supply. If the cane sector cannot fulfill its allotment, depending upon the amount that is available, Andino will be reassigned an increased allocation if its sugar supply exceeds its current allocation.

When 1997 through 2003 crop year history becomes available for the petitioning growers, CCC will determine a new allocation level for Andino, and subtract allocation shares, on a pro rata basis, from the Louisiana mills specified in the petitions. Allocations in subsequent years will be based on growers' petitions to transfer.

CCC will announce FY 2009 company allocations, showing Andino as a new entrant, before September 30, 2008.

Sincerely,

Daniel Colacicco
Director
Dairy and Sweeteners Analysis Group