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Report Highlights:

On November 26, the Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC) announced that it had successfully tendered 750 metric tons (MT) of non-fat dry milk (NFDM) with a minimum protein content of 35 percent from the United States. Under the U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement, Japan had committed to reserve 750 MT for skimmed milk powder with a minimum protein content of 35 percent as part of its annual global quota.

General Information:

On November 26, the Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC), a state trading enterprise, announced that it had successfully tendered 750 metric tons (MT) of nonfat dry milk (NFDM) with a minimum protein content of 35 percent. Three companies submitted bids for the tender with a combined volume of 1,699.8 MT. The average tender price was 367,980 yen per MT. ALIC selected the lowest priced bid (which did not exceed ALIC's unpublished maximum price) which was submitted by Lacto Japan for 750 MT of U.S.-origin skimmed milk powder. ALIC will later sell the product to domestic companies via sales tender. The date for the sales tender has not been announced.

Previously on May 27, Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) had announced that it would lower planned imports of NFDM from a previously announced volume of 4,000 MT to just 750 MT for Japanese fiscal year (JFY) 2020 (April-March). It is expected that there will be no further ALIC tenders for NFDM in JFY 2020. For details on the MAFF announcement, see JA2020-0114.

This tender is also expected to fulfill the terms the U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement (USJTA) in which Japan committed to reserve 750 MT for imports of milk powder with a minimum protein content of 35 percent. For details on USJTA, visit www.usdajapan.org/usjta.

For more information on Japan's dairy market, please see the FAS/Tokyo <u>Dairy and Products Annual</u> 2020.

Attachments:

No Attachments.