



# U.S. Dairy Genetic Evaluations need to be labelled “CDCB”

The Non-funded Cooperative Agreement (NFCA) of March 27th, 2013 between the Animal Genomics and Improvement Laboratory (AGIL), United States Department of Agriculture and the Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding (CDCB) outlined the transition of the U.S. dairy cattle genetic and genomic evaluations from AGIL to CDCB. This process was completed on December 17, 2015, and CDCB is now solely responsible for the Cooperator Database and the estimates of genetic merit published in the United States. As a consequence, all predictions of genetic and genomic evaluations calculated and made available by the CDCB must be labelled as “CDCB estimates (run date)” in contrast to the label “USDA-CDCB estimates (run date)” which was recommended during the transition period. Industry partners that make CDCB results public in print or electronically are advised to adopt the new labelling policy effective immediately. Alternatives for recommended labelling are shown below:

*CDCB PTAs (Apr. 2016),  
CDCB PTAs (4/16),  
CDCB Genetic Evaluations (Apr. 2016)*