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European skim milk powder (SMP) prices moved higher. Some industry contacts note an increase in buyer activity lately. Manufacturers are hoping that demand will grow, and prices will lift through the coming months. SMP manufacturing has slowed, as cheese and whey concentrate offer more economic potential at the moment. Stocks of SMP vary among processors and are declining with seasonally lower production. A few market observers suggest that considerable reserves of less current SMP production are still available in the warehouses. As those supplies get used, there may be more opportunities for sales of new production at higher prices.

Prices for: Europe, All First Sales, Free on Board - Port, Conventional, and Edible Skim Milk Powder

Price Range - 1.25% Butterfat; \$/MT: 3,475 - 3,925

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Secondary Sourced Information: EU SMP Production According to CLAL data made available to USDA, EU July SMP production is estimated at 103,091 MT, a decrease of 9.0 percent from July 2022. EU SMP production January-July 2023 is estimated at 793,000 MT, down 1.7 percent from January-July 2022. Among some of the leading European SMP producing countries, the January-July 2023 quantity and percentage change compared with January-July 2022 are Germany, 226,184 MT, +7.8 percent; France, 221,130 MT, -6.4 percent; and Belgium, 116,680 MT, -1.3 percent. EU SMP Exports SMP exports from the EU27 January-July 2023, 492,000 MT, increased 22.6 percent from January-July 2022 according to CLAL data made available to USDA. Main destinations January-July 2023, quantity, and percent change from January-July 2022 are Algeria, 103,852 MT, +96.41 percent; China, 54,747 MT, +4.49 percent; and Egypt, 30,475 MT, +12.08 percent.

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