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GRAIN STOCKS - MARCH 1, 2008

SOYBEAN stocks stored in off-farm facilities in SOUTH CAROLINA on March 1, 2008 totaled 3.61 million bushels, compared to 4.59 million bushels stored March 1, 2007, according to the USDA NASS South Carolina Field Office. **CORN** stocks stored in off-farm facilities totaled 3.90 million bushels, compared to 3.73 million bushels stored off-farm on March 1, 2007. **WHEAT** stocks stored in off-farm facilities totaled 515 thousand bushels on March 1, 2008, compared to 1.01 million bushels on March 1, 2007. **OAT** stocks stored off-farm on March 1, 2008 totaled 34 thousand bushels, compared to 42 thousand bushels on March 1, 2007.

CORN stocks in all positions in the UNITED STATES on March 1, 2008 totaled 6.86 billion bushels, up 13 percent from March 1, 2007. Of the total stocks, 3.78 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 14 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.08 billion bushels, are up 12 percent from a year ago. The December 2007 - February 2008 indicated disappearance is 3.42 billion bushels, compared with 2.86 billion bushels during the same period last year.

SOYBEANS stored in all positions on March 1, 2008 totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down 20 percent from March 1, 2007. Soybean stocks stored on farms are estimated at 593 million bushels, down 35 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 835 million bushels, are down 5 percent from last March. Indicated disappearance for the December 2007 - February 2008 quarter totaled 904 million bushels, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

ALL WHEAT stored in all positions on March 1, 2008 totaled 710 million bushels, down 17 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 92.0 million bushels, down 52 percent from last March. Off-farm stocks, at 618 million bushels, are down 7 percent from a year ago. The December 2007 - February 2008 indicated disappearance is 422 million bushels, down 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.