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## **AQCA 2016 Pool Marketing Update**

As we near the completion of harvesting and ginning in most all areas, we would like to provide a brief update on marketing activity for the 2016 AQCA pool. Though bales are still coming in from West Texas (a few thousand a week), we expect to have all cotton delivered by early to mid-March. We are currently within 6,500 bales of our original estimate and should close in on that number over the next few weeks.

We're proud to say, thanks to a favorable market, our entire 2016 pool inventory has been sold. Even the remaining bales are being applied to an on-call contract and priced on the futures market as they're received. Over the next few weeks, as the final bales are delivered, we will be conducting an equity review to make another progress payment determination for March. This follows the initial advance and progress payment made in January. After such time, our accountants will begin the audit process with the goal of expediting a final settlement. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Regards, Jeff Thompson