

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 516/2005****of 31 March 2005****fixing the unit amounts in respect of the production levies in the sugar sector for the 2004/05 marketing year**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

*Article 1*Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001 of 19 June 2001 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 15(8) thereof,

The unit amounts referred to in Article 6(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 314/2002 in respect of the 2004/05 marketing year are hereby fixed as follows:

Whereas:

- (1) Article 6 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 314/2002 of 20 February 2002 laying down detailed rules for the application of the quota system in the sugar sector<sup>(2)</sup> provides for the fixing before 1 April of the unit amounts to be paid by sugar, isoglucose and inulin syrup producers as advance payments of the production levies for the current marketing year.
  - (2) The estimate of the basic levy and the B levy gives amounts which are more than 60% of the maximum amounts indicated in Article 15(3) and (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1260/2001. In accordance with Article 7(1) and (2) of Regulation (EC) No 314/2002, the advance payments on the basic levy and the B levy for sugar and inulin syrup should therefore be fixed at 50% of the maximum amounts concerned. In accordance with Article 7(3) of that Regulation, the advance payment of the basic levy for isoglucose should be fixed at 40% of the unit amount of the basic production levy estimated for sugar.
  - (3) The Management Committee for Sugar has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its Chairman,
- (a) the advance payment on the basic production levy for A sugar and B sugar shall be EUR 6,32 per tonne of white sugar;
  - (b) the advance payment on the B levy for B sugar shall be EUR 118,48 per tonne of white sugar;
  - (c) the advance payment on the basic production levy for A isoglucose and B isoglucose shall be EUR 5,06 per tonne of dry matter;
  - (d) the advance payment on the basic production levy for A inulin syrup and B inulin syrup shall be EUR 6,32 per tonne of dry matter sugar/isoglucose equivalent;
  - (e) the advance payment on the B levy for B inulin syrup shall be EUR 118,48 per tonne of dry matter sugar/isoglucose equivalent.

*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 March 2005.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 178, 30.6.2001, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 39/2004 (OJ L 6, 10.1.2004, p. 16).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 50, 21.2.2002, p. 40. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 38/2004 (OJ L 6, 10.1.2004, p. 13).