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Report Highlights:

The United Kingdom (UK) and Ireland are important entry points for U.S. agricultural and food products into Europe. Due to the volume of trade, and often complex import requirements, USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) London office is frequently called upon to assist U.S. firms with shipments held at ports in both countries. This report gives recent examples of where U.S. goods were released as the result of intervention by USDA/FAS staff. In recent months, USDA/FAS advocacy prevented direct losses to U.S. firms of nearly \$1.5 million.

General Information:

UK and Irish seaports, such as Felixstowe, Thamesport (London), Liverpool and Dublin, and airports, such as Heathrow, Stansted and Shannon, are important entry points for U.S. agricultural products shipped to the European Union.

The table below shows recent instances where USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) London office assisted in securing the release of detained shipments of U.S. agricultural products. This table covers July, August, and September 2011.

Date	Product	Company	U.S. State	Value * estimated
July	Dairy blend	Quality Ingredients Corporation	Minnesota	\$10,000*
July	Dried dairy seasoning	Dairi Concepts	Missouri	\$46,500
July	Nutritional supplements	Dymatize	Texas	\$25,000
August	Nutritional supplements	Dymatize	Texas	\$25,000*
August	Dried Krill	Holland-Morritz	New Jersey	\$10,000*
August	Ice cream	Unilever/Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream	New Jersey/Vermont	\$10,000
August	Beta Carotene	Socius Ingredients	Illinois	\$1,000,000 (20 containers)
August	Ice cream	Unilever/Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream	New Jersey/Vermont	\$10,000
September	Various cream cheeses	Mehadrin Dairy	New York	\$3,000
September	Ice cream	Unilever/Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream	New Jersey/Vermont	\$7,000
September	Protein powders, shakes & bars	Netrition	New York	\$30,000
September	Ice cream	Iovate/Century Foods	Wisconsin	\$312,000 (4 containers)
Total known value				\$1,489,500

Source: USDA/FAS/London

