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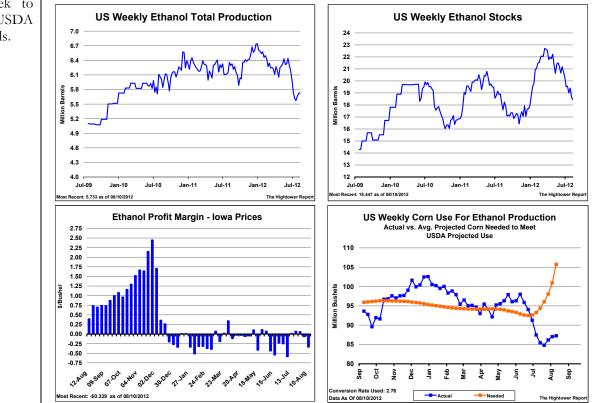
ETHANOL PRODUCTION REPORT August 15, 2012

Summary

Ethanol production for the ending August week 10 averaged 819 thousand barrels per day. This is up 0.24% vs. last week and down 8.90% vs. last year. Total Ethanol production for the week was 5.733 million barrels. Stocks as of August 10 were 18.447 million barrels. This is down 1.09% vs. last week and up 4.92% vs. last year. Corn used in last week's production is estimated at 87.24 million year's bushels. This crop cumulative corn used for ethanol production for this crop year is 4.7 billion bushels. Corn use needs to average 105.725 million bushels per week to meet this crop year's USDA estimate of 5 billion bushels.

Recent History								
	In Million Barrels					Corn Usage For Crop Year (MMBu)		
ſ		Weekly		Weekly			Needed /	
	Total	Prod.		Stocks	Implied	Corn Used	Week for	Cumulative for
Date	Production	Change	Stocks	Change	Demand	Per Week	USDA Est	Crop Year
4/27/12	6.258	0.2030	22.222	0.37	5.888	95.230	94.166	3318.472
5/4/12	6.279	0.0210	21.374	-0.848	7.127	95.550	94.083	3414.022
5/11/12	6.328	0.0490	20.630	-0.744	7.324	96.296	93.944	3510.317
5/18/12	6.433	0.1050	21.398	0.768	5.665	97.893	93.678	3608.211
5/25/12	6.314	-0.1190	21.508	0.11	6.281	96.083	93.505	3704.293
6/1/12	6.328	0.0140	21.188	-0.32	6.725	96.296	93.288	3800.589
6/8/12	6.440	0.1120	20.666	-0.522	6.962	98.000	92.890	3898.589
6/15/12	6.300	-0.1400	21.185	0.519	5.781	95.870	92.616	3994.459
6/22/12	6.181	-0.1190	20.757	-0.428	6.931	94.059	92.469	4088.517
6/29/12	5.999	-0.1820	20.293	-0.464	6.617	91.289	92.602	4179.807
7/6/12	5.747	-0.2520	19.532	-0.761	6.634	87.454	93.258	4267.261
7/13/12	5.614	-0.1330	19.556	0.024	5.716	85.430	94.399	4352.691
7/20/12	5.572	-0.0420	19.005	-0.551	6.494	84.791	96.040	4437.483
7/27/12	5.663	0.0910	19.401	0.396	5.330	86.176	98.070	4523.659
8/3/12	5.719	0.0560	18.651	-0.75	6.987	87.028	100.933	4610.687
8/10/12	5.733	0.0140	18.447	-0.204	6.588	87.241	105.725	4697.928
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