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FEEDING TIME AT THE FED

The Federal Reserve is Hoofing It, Again... to Jump Start the Economy



In a recent Reuters poll, economists gave **Federal Reserve System** Chairman Ben Bernanke an "8" out of "10" for his handling of the economic crisis. With the unemployment rate still climbing and the economy sputtering, one wonders what these economists were smoking to give Mr. Bernanke such high marks. Connecticut Senator Christopher Dodd, a Democrat who chairs the Senate Banking Committee, said giving the **Fed** more authority

"is like having a parent giving his son a bigger, faster car, right after he crashed the family station wagon".

One might expect that a poll among agronomists will show similar adoration about Bernanke's impending, bold move to fortify our money. Dubbed by agronomists at the **Fed** as the **A.C.T.I.O.N. Plan** (**Anticipatory Cattle Transfusions In Our Nation**), the latest bailout plan will invigorate the suffering, cattle industry. The **Fed** has figured out how to feed cattle with Federal Reserve Notes. By adding vitamins, minerals, fiber and carbohydrates to Federal Reserve Notes, cattlemen will be able to feed money to their cattle instead of expensive commodities like corn.

The new money will have different flavors and nutritional amounts based on the denomination of each note. The one dollar note will be "basic oats" flavor. The two dollar bill will taste like bananas. Chimpanzees have found the two dollar bills most appealing. The **Fed** will add a new three dollar bill to honor diversity. It will taste like "tutee-fruity". In anticipation of human consumption of money, the five dollar notes will taste like **Soylent Green**¹. In addition to keeping you "fed", the new Federal Reserve Notes can cost effectively keep you warm, too!

Mr. Bernanke said that this latest stimulation measure was received in the **Federal Reserve's** Suggestion Box. Mr. B told reporters at a recent conference that the **Fed** welcomes all jump starting ideas because they realize that there must be more really good ones out there waiting to be tested on the public.



The Fed will give new meaning to the expression "Cash Cow"



Even chimps like the new, banana flavored Federal Reserve Notes. Tests on humans will start soon.



New and improved Federal Reserve notes will contain essential vitamins, minerals, fiber and carbs. Cattlemen will be able to feed money to their cows instead of expensive commodities like corn.

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¹ **Soylent Green** is a '70s sci-fi movie where Charlton Heston discovers that "Soylent Green" is made from people.