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Lactose prices moved higher at both ends of the price range, while the mostly range held steady. Prices are supported by very strong demand and extremely tight spot availability. Contacts report receiving more inquiries than they have had in years and inventories remain difficult to source, particularly for 200-mesh. Some contacts note not receiving any spot offers for weeks. Production is generally steady, but most output is committed to contracts, keeping near-term supply constrained. Q3 contracts span from the upper \$0.50s to \$0.70. Overall, the market tone is firm.

Prices for: Central and Western U.S., Spot Sales And Up to 3 Month Contracts, F.O.B., Conventional, and Edible Lactose

Price Range - Non Pharmaceutical; \$/LB:	.4600 - .7200
Mostly Range - Non Pharmaceutical; \$/LB:	.5500 - .6300

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