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Lactose moved higher at the top of the price range while holding steady through the remainder of the series. The market remains tight and firm, with production reported as steady to slightly lower. Market activity is lighter due to constrained availability. Several manufacturers are committed through Q3, and some into Q4, leaving very limited spot availability. Many contacts indicate they are effectively sold out, with only small spot volumes available that continue to edge upward in price. Domestic and international demand remain strong, with some contacts note a positive long-term outlook. The overall market tone remains 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:	.5000 - .7500
Mostly Range - Non Pharmaceutical; \$/LB:	.5500 - .6300

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