MOLASSES



7 KEY FACTS

1. Energy Source

Molasses is rich in readily available sugars, making it an excellent high-energy feed ingredient. It helps support weight gain and overall performance in feedlot cattle by providing a rapid source of carbohydrates for rumen fermentation.

2. Feed Palatability & Intake Improvement

Cattle naturally enjoy the sweet taste of molasses, which enhances feed palatability and encourages consistent intake. This is particularly beneficial when incorporating less palatable ingredients or transitioning cattle onto new diets.

3. Rumen Function & Microbial Health

The sugars in molasses stimulate beneficial rumen microbes, enhancing fermentation and digestion efficiency. When balanced with protein sources, molasses promotes optimal microbial protein synthesis, leading to better feed utilization.

4. Liquid Feed Supplements

Molasses is a key ingredient in liquid feed supplements (such as Molafos products), which provide a balanced mix of energy, protein, vitamins, and minerals. These supplements help optimize cattle performance when grazing in feedlots.

5. Feedlot Adaptation & Stress Reduction

During feedlot induction, cattle may experience stress and reduced appetite. Molasses-based supplements encourage feed consumption, helping to reduce weight loss and stress in newly arrived cattle.

6. Dust Control & Feed Binding

Molasses helps reduce dust in dry feed mixes, making rations easier to handle and consume. It also acts as a binding agent, improving feed consistency by holding loose feed particles together.

7. Enhancing Byproduct Utilization and Drought Resilience

Molasses is often combined with byproducts such as cottonseed, hay or silage. This creates cost-effective, highperformance rations while efficiently utilizing alternative feed sources.

