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Self-fed Supplements Provide Nutritional Benefits for Beef Cattle

During the late summer and fall months, pasture grasses are low in both protein and energy for beef cows in lactation. Because of limited forage quality and quantity, supplemental feeding of protein, energy, minerals and vitamins is practiced by many producer. The goal of supplementing beef cattle is to provide nutrients that are lacking in the daily diet and to increase the intake and digestibility of lower quality forages. It has been documented that reproduction is impacted most by nutrient deficiencies.

Commercially available self-fed products are nutritionally balanced to provide not only supplemental protein but also vitamins and trace minerals. Self-fed supplements can be provided in many different ways such as liquid feeds and protein tubs. And, depending on the rancher's specific requirements, supplements can also be formulated to provide additional ingredients such as fats, ionophores, coccidiostats, fly control, complex minerals and antibiotics.

The constant challenge for the cow-calf producer is to match forage nutrients with animal requirements. And often, because there is no synchrony between these two supplemental feed products are required to maintain maximum productivity.

Cobb Shipping Service can provide a wide range of products to suit the specific needs of the cattle and the producer. The most popular is the line of "liquid" supplements. These products provide a complete balance of protein, energy, vitamins and minerals. And, they're convenient to use. The Dealer can provide the feeder and will keep them full of feed for you.

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