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Corn: 2023 Pre-Harvest Marketing Plan by Edward Usset

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January 3, 2023: The new year has started, and the plan is active. I make a sale of 3 contracts of Dec'23 corn futures at \$6.06³/₄ per bushel.

2023 status: I am 15% sold with Dec'23 futures at \$6.07, or a cash price at harvest of about \$5.70.