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Bert van Dalfsen Chair BC Hog Marketing Commission

Dear Mr. van Dalfsen:

PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND REPORTING PROJECT (PARP) – 2019 FIRST REPORT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thank you for the submission of the BC Hog Marketing Commission's (Hog Commission) PARP report by the extended timeline of June 21, 2019. The British Columbia Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB) appreciates the work done by your board and staff in preparing this report and contributing to this important initiative.

This report is an important step towards supporting and demonstrating effective governance and sound leadership of the regulated agricultural sectors.

The Hog Commission's report reflects a strong understanding of the sector, the provincial, national and international operating contexts, and current challenges. The Hog Commission's Industry Performance Targets appear strategic and relevant to the Commission. The report was effective in highlighting Commission initiatives that may benefit BC's small commercial scale hog industry.

BCFIRB is currently in the process of reviewing the eight commodity board PARP reports and will be publishing a summary of the eight reports in the near future. In developing the summary report, BCFIRB staff may need to follow-up with your staff should any questions arise. The BCFIRB summary report and web site link will be sent to you once this work is completed. All commodity board PARP reports, including the Commissions', will also be made publically available through BCFIRB's web site.

BCFIRB staff will be in touch with you shortly to schedule a meeting with your PARP board and staff representatives for this fall. We will use the meeting to review and discuss the reporting

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requirements and measures (Industry Performance Targets, Governance, Quota Management and Movement), the issues that arose within these first reports and the reporting process, and identify any adjustments as appropriate.

Thank you again for your ongoing support for this initiative.

Yours truly,

Al Sakalauskas

Vice-Chair

cc: K. Pedersen, Executive Director, BCFIRB

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