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Dear Mr. Ingratta,

BRITISH COLUMBIA MILK MARKETING BOARD ELECTION RULES AND PROCEDURES AMENDMENT APPROVAL

The BC Milk Marketing Board seeks approval under section 3(4) of the *British Columbia Milk Marketing Board Regulation* to amend its August 10, 2012 elections rules and procedures following the August 21, 2012 conference call with the BC Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB). The requested amendments have been incorporated in, and approval is now requested of, the attached revised British Columbia Milk Marketing Board Election Rules and Procedures dated August 28, 2012.

We have been appointed by the Chair of the BCFIRB as a two person panel to consider and, if appropriate, approve the revised election rules and procedures.

As previously noted in our letters of July 31, 2012 and August 10, 2012, it was not clear if further amendments might be required to the August 10, 2012 election rules to accommodate the use of family trusts. We thank you for your prompt response, the copy of Mr. Hrabinsky's August 8, 2012 letter addressing that subject and our subsequent conference call on August 21, 2012.

Based on Mr. Hrabinsky's August 8, 2012 letter and the information provided during the August 21 call, we have determined that no further changes to the election rules are necessary at this time to accommodate family trusts.

During the August 21, 2012 call, Mr. Hrabinsky identified possible amendments to the wording under 'Nomination Procedure' on page 4 of the election rules dealing with who can be designated as a nominee in the case of corporations and partnerships. The Milk Board and the panel agreed that the suggested amendments would improve clarity. It is these amendments for which the Milk Board now seeks our approval.

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Accordingly, we hereby approve the attached August 28, 2012 British Columbia Milk Marketing Board Election and Appointment Rules and Procedures incorporating these amendments.

We understand the Milk Board has already initiated the 2012 election process. Accordingly, we expect the Milk Board to notify licensed producers, as appropriate, of the amendments.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FARM INDUSTRY REVIEW BOARD Per:

Ron Bertrand

Suzanne K. Wiltshire Member

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Attachment: British Columbia Milk Marketing Board Election and Appointment Rules and Procedures dated August 28, 2012