

BC Farm Industry Review Board

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Jim Collins Chair BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission

Dear Mr. Collins

ONTARIO RESERVE FUND UPDATE AND REQUEST TO INCREASE EXPENDITURE

On January 11, 2021 the BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission (Commission) requested approval to increase expenditure of its Ontario Reserve Fund (Ontario Fund) to cover remaining tenant improvement expenses (from \$800,000 to \$837,000). An accounting of the outlays to date were provided.

We have reviewed the Commission's request, accounting of the outlays, and the BC Farm Industry Review Board's February 7, 2020 decision prior approving use of the Ontario Fund to support a long-term lease resulting in co-location with the BC Chicken Marketing Board (Chicken Board).

So long as the following terms continue to be met the Commission does not require further prior approval to use the Ontario Fund for the remaining \$37,000 in expenses.

- The expenditures support the long-term lease and tenant improvements resulting in co-location with the Chicken Board;
- The Commission uses good accounting procedures and reporting; and,
- Use of the Fund monies and rationale are reported publicly.

Any remaining Ontario Fund monies continue to be subject to BCFIRB's prior approval conditions, including that the Fund be used for the overall improvement of the hatching egg industry.

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Administrative decisions made by the Commission in the implementation or application of the Ontario Fund to support a long-term lease – as approved by BCFIRB – are appealable under s. 8 of the *NPMA* within 30 days of a Commission decision.

Regards,

Peter Donkers Chair

Cc: Harvey Sasaki Chair, BC Chicken Marketing Board

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