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## **DELIVERED BY EMAIL**

Jack Brown Chair BC Cranberry Marketing Commission 36376 Stephen Leacock Drive Abbotsford, V3G 0C2

Dear Mr. Brown:

## **BRITISH COLUMBIA CRANBERRY MARKETING COMMISSION 2018 ELECTION**

The BC Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB) was advised today of irregularities with the current BC Cranberry Marketing Commission (Cranberry Commission) election process. The irregularities concern the nomination process and the election timeline.

Given the reported irregularities and the importance of ensuring due process, BCFIRB directs the Cranberry Commission to cancel the current election process scheduled to be conducted during the 2018 Annual General Meeting of March 7, 2018. Further directions on re-running the 2018 election process will be forthcoming.

BCFIRB is aware that the term of the member whose position is up for election expires at the close of the Annual General Meeting as per the "BC Cranberry Marketing Commission Election And Appointment Rules and Procedures" dated November 17, 2015.

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Under section 3(d) of the Natural Products Marketing (BC) Regulations, the remaining members will constitute the Cranberry Commission until the vacancy is filled.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FARM INDUSTRY REVIEW BOARD Per:

Diane Pastoor Member

cc: Heather Carrier, General Manager

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