## BRITISH COLUMBIA FARM INDUSTRY REVIEW BOARD

## PRACTICE DIRECTIVE: DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS TO THE BOARD

This Practice Directive, issued pursuant to BCFIRB's common law authority to control its own processes, and pursuant to section 13 of the *Administrative Tribunals Act*, S.B.C. 2004 c. 45, concerns the matter in which parties are required to deliver documents to the Provincial board in any matter respecting which BCFIRB has jurisdiction under the *Natural Products Marketing* (*BC*) *Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 330, the *Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 131 and section 20.41 of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 372 (PCAA):

- 1. A party producing or delivering documents to BCFIRB must use one of the following approved methods of disclosure:
  - a) Photocopied documents, in hard copy, consecutively numbered and delivered by hand, mail, courier or facsimile to BCFIRB and any parities or interveners;
  - b) Documents or pages in PDF, JPG (or equivalent) format, consecutively numbered and attached to an email to BCFIRB;
  - c) Documents or pages in PDF, JPG (or equivalent) format, consecutively numbered and downloaded on a USB stick or computer disc and delivered by hand, mail or courier to BCFIRB and any parties or interveners.
- 2. Website portals such as Drop Box, Titanfile or Box.com, which require the recipient to click on a link to access documents at another location, are not approved methods of disclosure to BCFIRB. BCFIRB will not accept documents tendered via these methods.

Dated: September 13, 2017 at Victoria, British Columbia

John Les, Chair

British Columbia Farm Industry Review Board