IN THE MATTER OF THE NATURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING (BC) ACT

AND

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL FROM THE BRITISH COLUMBIA TREE FRUIT MARKETING BOARD CONCERNING A GRANT FOR A MARKETING INITIATIVE.

BETWEEN:

BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

APPELLANT

AND:

BRITISH COLUMBIA TREE FRUIT MARKETING BOARD

RESPONDENT

DECISION

Appearances:

British Columbia Marketing Board Mr. Doug Kitson, Chair Ms. Karen Webster, Member Ms. Christine Moffat, Member Ms. Tarra Mason Ward, Secretary

Appellant Mr. Steve Thompson, General Manager

British Columbia TreeFruit Marketing Board Mr. Chuck Truscott, Chair

Date and Place of Hearing: April 20, 1995 Kelowna, British Columbia The matter before the British Columbia Marketing Board is an appeal by the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association from a decision of the British Columbia Tree Fruit Marketing Board of January 26, 1995 to deny the Appellant's request for a grant to fund a marketing initiative.

Findings

1. Based on the evidence presented during the hearing, the British Columbia Marketing Board finds that:

a) the decision of the British Columbia Tree Fruit Marketing Board (BCTFMB) of January 26, 1995 to deny a grant of \$27,000 to the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association was authorized by the British Columbia Tree Fruit Marketing Scheme, 1960, (the "Scheme"), and

b) this decision was a proper exercise of the powers granted to the BCTFMB by the Scheme.

Decision

The appeal is denied.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 18th day of May, 1995.

(Original signed by):

D. Kitson, Chair K. Webster, Member C. Moffat, Member