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Gunta Vitins
Chair
BC Egg Marketing Board

Dear Ms. Vitins:

PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND REPORTING PROJECT (PARP) – 2019 FIRST REPORT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thank you for the submission of the BC Egg Marketing Board's (Egg Board) PARP report by the extended timeline of June 21, 2019. The British Columbia Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB) appreciates the work done by your board and staff in preparing this report and contributing to this important initiative.

This report is an important step towards supporting and demonstrating effective governance and sound leadership of the regulated agricultural sectors.

The Egg Board's report reflects a focus on open and prompt communication and good relationships with its producers, other stakeholders and consumers. The Egg Board's active engagement on national programs and issues (e.g. hen housing transition, producer pricing) that affect the BC egg industry is evident and the report demonstrates the Egg Board's investment in good governance tools and related practices. Presentation of quota management and movement data is detailed, well organized and easy to understand. BCFIRB has identified the Egg Board's Industry Performance Targets as an area for further discussion.

BCFIRB is currently in the process of reviewing the eight commodity board PARP reports and will be publishing a summary of the eight reports in the near future. In developing the summary report, BCFIRB staff may need to follow-up with your staff should any questions arise. The BCFIRB summary report and web site link will be sent to you once this work is completed. All commodity board PARP reports, including the Commissions', will also be made publically available through BCFIRB's web site.

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BCFIRB staff will be in touch with you shortly to schedule a meeting with your PARP board and staff representatives for this fall. We will use the meeting to review and discuss the reporting requirements and measures (Industry Performance Targets, Governance, Quota Management and Movement), the issues that arose within these first reports and the reporting process, and identify any adjustments as appropriate.

Thank you again for your ongoing support for this initiative.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Sakalauskas', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Al Sakalauskas
Vice-Chair

cc: K. Pedersen, Executive Director, BCFIRB
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