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

AND

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL TO THE
BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKETING BOARD
AGAINST ORDERS OF THE
BRITISH COLUMBIA HOG MARKETING COMMISSION
AS COMMUNICATED BY LETTER DATED JUNE 29, 1992

BETWEEN

FLETCHER'S FINE FOODS LTD.
BRITCO EXPORT PACKERS LTD.

APPELLANT

AND:

BRITISH COLUMBIA HOG MARKETING COMMISSION

RESPONDENT

INTERCONTINENTAL PACKERS LTD.

INTERVENOR

DECISION

DATES OF HEARING
1992

SEPTEMBER 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17 AND 18,

1. The matter before the British Columbia Marketing Board (the Board) is an appeal by Fletcher's Fine Foods Ltd. and Britco Export Packers Ltd. (together the Appellants) against a decision of the British Columbia Hog Marketing Commission (the Respondent) as contained in the Respondent's letter dated June 29, 1992.
2. The Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal with the Board on July 14, 1992 and amended it on July 17, 1992.
3. By agreement between the parties, Intercontinental Packers Ltd. was granted Intervenor status.
4. Evidence was presented and arguments heard on September 8-13 and September 17 and 18, 1992.
5. Based on the evidence heard and arguments presented, the Board orders that the decision contained in the Respondent's letter dated June 29, 1992, be upheld. Accordingly, the Board's Order of July 17, 1992 is no longer in effect.
6. Because Fletcher's has devoted much time and energy to developing the Chinatown "hot hog market", the Board recommends that the Respondent consider directing British Columbia produced hogs for Monday kill to the Appellants each week in sufficient quantities to enable Britco to operate on Mondays, if the Appellants agree to provide the same number of hogs of equivalent quality to IPL each week. It is hoped that by this device, Britco could retain its Chinatown "hot hog market" and hence its stated economic justification for remaining in the slaughter business in British Columbia.
7. In keeping with this Board's Rules of Appeal the Appellant's deposit shall be forfeit.

Dated *October 2* 1992 in Victoria, British Columbia

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