



BC Farm Industry Review Board

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Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

PROCESS QUERY PRICE LINKAGE SUPERVISORY REVIEW

On April 16, 2020 and April 23, 2020, respectively the Primary Poultry Processors of BC (PPPABC) and the BC Chicken Growers Association (BCCGA) wrote to the BC Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB) regarding the Price Linkage Supervisory Review (Review) process.

As the PPPABC and BCCGA requests relate to the Review process in general, and BCFIRB's response will be of interest to all parties, I have included the legal counsels for the BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission (Commission) and the BC Chicken Marketing Board (Chicken Board) in the following response on behalf of the BCFIRB supervisory panel.

Meeting with the Commission and Chicken Board

A meeting between the supervisory panel, Commission and Chicken Board is now scheduled for April 30, 2020. As reflected in the supervisory panel's April 14, 2020 letter, the purpose of this meeting is to build on the supervisory panel's initial understanding of the pricing work done to date by the respective boards as well as the respective boards' future timelines and plans, and to explore potential interim pricing measures necessary for stability.

As is BCFIRB's general practice with its supervisory reviews, it will be providing a meeting summary for stakeholders and posting the summary to its website.

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Consultation

The PPPABC and other industry stakeholders will have opportunities to provide input to the supervisory panel on matters directly impacting their interests as part of the Review.

Following the April 28, 2020 meeting with the Commission and the Chicken Board, the supervisory panel will be contacting stakeholders, including the PPPABC, regarding the next steps of the Review. This includes developing a Review terms of reference and plans, as appropriate, for consultation regarding any interim pricing measures.

The supervisory panel understands the PPPABC's and BCCGA's concerns about pricing certainty and participation in the Review process. As part of its Review consultations, the supervisory panel will be exploring the challenges and barriers facing the PPPABC- BCCGA Price Working Group in reaching a joint long-term pricing recommendation for the Chicken Board, as well as any connections of the long-term price outcome to the Commission-Chicken Board price linkage.

If you have any questions regarding the Review, please contact me.

Best Regards,



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