



BC Farm Industry Review Board

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CHICKEN SECTOR PRICING SUPERVISORY REVIEW – PRICING CONSULTATION INVITATION TO THE HATCHING EGG PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION AND THE BC EGG HATCHERY ASSOCIATION

On May 12, 2020 the BC Farm Industry Review Board (BCFIRB) supervisory panel invited industry parties to meet with the panel and/or provide written submissions (see attached) on matters related to the Chicken Sector Pricing Supervisory Review.

The panel had intended to include the BC Hatching Egg Producers' Association and the BC Egg Hatchery Association (Hatchery Association) in its invitation. Unfortunately, there was an administrative oversight at a staff level that resulted in your association representatives being unintentionally removed from the May 12 correspondence.

The panel thanks the Hatchery Association for its May 26, 2020 letter providing its input.

The supervisory panel would still like to schedule a meeting with your respective representatives of approximately one hour by video or teleconference. The panel would like to focus about 45 minutes of this time on interim pricing stability and 15 minutes on long-term pricing barriers and considerations.

While the primary meeting purpose will be to discuss what, if any, changes or timelines the panel should be considering to help ensure interim pricing stability until such time that the outstanding linkage exit question and long-term chicken pricing formula questions are resolved, the panel also wishes to hear your views on long-term pricing matters.

To schedule a meeting with the supervisory panel please contact Kirsten Pedersen at Kirsten.Pedersen@gov.bc.ca by **June 5, 2020**.

If the current situation does not allow your representative(s) time to meet, the panel will accept written submissions **until June 12, 2020**.

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Meeting summaries and any written submissions will be posted to BCFIRB's web site. Prior to posting any meeting summaries, BCFIRB staff will confirm the correctness of the summary with your representative(s).

If your organization anticipates that it may wish to share information it considers sensitive or confidential, please let the panel know this in advance during the meeting, or in your submission. I am also attaching a document, effective May 22, 2020, that sets out BCFIRB's legislative authorities and the processes available with respect to the Supervisory Panel receiving and managing potentially confidential information. The document is being provided to all parties that the BCFIRB supervisory panel on chicken sector pricing is meeting with, and is intended for all parties' information.

Regards,



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Attachment

cc: Jim Collins, Chair
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Primary Poultry Processors' Association of BC

BC Chicken Growers' Association

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