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Commission Report

BC Vegetable Marketing Commission Monthly Newsletter

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During the August 12, 2011 regular meeting of the Commission Amending Order Number 32 was approved. Two changes to the General Order occurred with its approval; namely, 1) reference to districts other than for election purposes were removed from the General Order leading to the uniform classification of regulated products throughout the Regulated Area; and 2) the administration levy for potatoes marketed as fresh or contract (food service) was increased.

Removal of District Reference

For accomplishing the objective that the General Order be constructed in a manner where marketing of regulated products is not reliant on geographic definitions or districts Schedule II of the General Order was amended. This schedule sets out which vegetable crops are classified as regulated products.

The revision made to Schedule II follows consultation with Interior greenhouse vegetable producers and earlier held District Policy consultations.

Prior to amending Schedule II the listed regulated vegetables were set out under District 1, 2 and 3 headings and throughout the Regulated Area uniformity was absent leaving a challenging situation for administering the regulated marketing environment pursuant to the General Order

With the August 12, 2011 coming into effect of Schedule II without exception and regardless of where in the Regulated Area they are produced for marketing, greenhouse bell peppers, butter lettuce and Silver Skin onions are classified as regulated products.

With the revision of Schedule II the question of what types of onions are considered regulated products was clarified; consequently, yellow onions and Silver Skin onions only are classified as regulated products.

For clarity purposes the recently approved Amending Order added or amended certain defined terms to Part I of the General Order. It should be noted that different to supply managed commodity marketing boards the Regulated Area encompasses a part of the Province.

Increase in the Administration Levy for Potatoes Marketed Fresh or as Contract/Food Service

On August 10, 2011 the Storage Crop Advisory Group met for the purpose of reviewing storage crop sector matters and providing recommendations to the Commission. During the August 12 regular Commission meeting advisory group recommendations pertaining to types of onions to be classified as regulated product and increasing the administration levy applied to potatoes marketed for fresh and contract/food service were

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received. Upon receiving the recommendation *Schedule IV - 2011 VMC Levies and Charges* was amended, effective September 1, 2011. The table set out below displays Administration Levy information.

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Administration Levy for
Potatoes Marketed Fresh or Contract (Food Service)

	Prior to September 1, 2011	Effective September 1, 2011 and thereafter
All Producers Fresh Potatoes	\$4.56/ton	\$5.42/ton
All Producers Contract Potatoes	\$4.01/ton	\$4.87/ton

The entirety of the General Order as at August 12, 2011 can be obtained by visiting the Commission website [<http://www.bcveg.com>]. Click on the "Orders – General & Amended" button and navigate to "General Order". Do likewise, but navigate to "Amending Orders" to view Amending Order Number 32.

OBSOLETE PESTICIDE
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Clean Farms, which is involved in the collection of obsolete pesticides has revised the dates when BC farmers may take unwanted crop protection material to a drop off location. Changes to earlier announced dates are attributable to the *Canwest Hort Show* – scheduled for September 28 and 29.

Revised collection dates are:

- Oct. 4, 5, 6: Vancouver Island - Saanich, Duncan, Courtenay
- Oct. 11, 12: Delta
- Oct. 19, 20: Abbotsford

When the VMC learns of the collection sites it will circulate a notice.

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www.bcveg.com

For Potato Industry
news go to:

United Potato
Growers of Canada
Website:
unitedpotatocanada.com

Or

United Potato
Growers of America
Website:
unitedpotatousa.com

Hot Line
604-302-1046

BC Potato Industry Variety Trial Field Day

Wednesday, August 31, 2011

Time: 3:00 pm Place: Brent Kelly Farms

Location: Brent Kelly Farms, 4000 Block 96th Street, Delta BC

Directions: From Hwy 17 or Hwy 10, follow Ladner Trunk Road east to the lights at the junction of Hwy 10 and 99. Turn right onto Hornby Drive. Turn right (south) on 96th St. Watch for flags/signs on the left.

DINNER ON A WAGON, REFRESHMENTS & DOOR PRIZES

For information call Val Fair or Laura Mathews (604) 946-9956, or Heather Meberg (604) 841-0764. This event is sponsored by BC potato growers & their suppliers, & endorsed by local marketing agencies.

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