# BRITISH COLUMBIA VEGETABLE MARKETING COMMISSION

# **POLICY**

## **Recovery of Enforcement Surveillance and Investigation Costs**

#### **Enforcement of Regulated Marketing**

Provisions within the Natural Products Marketing (BC) Act and the Natural Products Marketing (BC) Act Regulation (Reg. 328/75) combine to provide for and govern the enforcement of regulated marketing undertaken by BC marketing boards and commissions.

Together with the above referenced act and regulation the BC Vegetable Scheme provides for the enforcement of regulated marketing undertaken by the BC Vegetable Marketing Commission.

### <u>Cost Recovery – Surveillance and Investigation</u>

On the conclusion of the holding of a hearing where a VMC decision or determination is rendered having regard to violations of the VMC General Order or issued VMC marketing directives the licensee is liable for payment to the VMC the actual incurred surveillance and investigation costs.

In addition to the above-described payment the licensee is also liable for the payment of administrative costs that take into consideration the time expended by VMC staff regarding the enforcement action that lead to the holding of a hearing and the reaching of a VMC decision or determination. The payment is to be 20% of the actual incurred surveillance and investigation costs.

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