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Our file: 1205-25

August 15, 2014

Dear Mr. Montgomery and Mr. O'Connor:

Re: Complaints to the FPCC re CFC's Allocation for Period A-127

The following is to advise you that, in accordance with section 7.h. of the Farm Products Council of Canada's (Council) *March 9, 2011 Interim Complaint Guidelines*, Council's Chairman, Mr. Pellerin, has elected to establish a Complaint Committee during its August 13, 2014 Council meeting.

On August 5th, 2014, Council has received a joint complaint by the Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors Council and the Further Poultry Processors Association of Canada as well as a complaint by Restaurants Canada on August 6th, 2014 against Chicken Farmers of Canada's July 29, 2014 decision on the quota allocation for period A-127.

I am happy to inform you that you were appointed as members of the Complaint Committee: Mr. Montgomery as Chair, and Mr. O'Connor as member.

It was further agreed by Council, following discussions with all parties, that both complaints be treated as one. Please note that the expedited timelines, as outlined in Appendix B of the Guidelines, should be followed as much as possible in order to come to a resolution in a timely manner. A copy of the calendar with specific dates is attached.

Yours sincerely,

FOC

Nathalie Vanasse
Registrar

Encl.

Complaints against Chicken Farmers of Canada – Period A-127 Allocation Decision

| Steps | Expedited Timeline | Dates |
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| CFC's decision on period A-127 allocation | | July 30, 2014 |
| 1) Complaint 1 is filed. (7 days from decision date) | Day 1 | August 5, 2014 – FPCC received joint complaint letter from FPPAC and CPEPC. |
| Complaint 2 is filed. | Day 1 (Aug. 6) | August 6, 2014 – FPCC received a complaint letter from Restaurants Canada. |
| At its August 13, 2014 Council meeting, the Chairman announced that both complaints would be treated as one. | | |
| 2) Chair reviewed whether the Complaint meets the requirements of subsection 7(1)(f) of the FPAA. | | August 7, 2014 – acknowledgement letter sent from M. Pellerin to R. Horel and R. De Valk where the Registrar informs CPEPC and FPPAC that the complaint meets the requirements. |
| | | August 7, 2014 - acknowledgement letter sent from M. Pellerin to R. Hall where Registrar informs Restaurants Canada that the complaint meets the requirements. |
| | | August 7, 2014 – letter sent to CFC to inform them of complaints including copies of such documents. CFC was given until August 14, 2014 to reply. CFC informally informed Council that they will stand by their allocation. |
| | | August 7, 2014 – letters sent to provincial boards to seek information and comments. |
| Council Meeting August 13, 2014 | | |
| 3) Complaint is received. Chair meets informally with the parties to further understand the issues and allow parties to share their recommendations on the process. | Day 7 (Aug. 14) | |
| 4) Agency provides its response to the complaint | Day 7 (Aug. 14) | |
| 5) Interveners provide their comments on the complaint. | Day 8 (Aug. 18) | August 11, 2014 – FPCC received letter from Manitoba Chicken Producers. |
| 6) Complaint Committee is created. | Day 10 (Aug.20) | |

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| <p>7) Complain committee may convene a meeting or conference call to discuss process, timelines and any other information request by Complaint Committee.</p> <p>a) If a written process is chosen, complainant replies to agency's response, intervener's comments and any other information request by the Complaint Committee.</p> <p>b) If a written process is chosen, agency or interveners address any new issues raised in complainant's reply.</p> <p>c) If an informal meeting process is chosen, Complaint Committee meets with parties and interveners to further discuss the issues.</p> <p>d) If an ADR process is chosen, Complaint Committee and parties agree on the process and timelines.</p> | <p>Day 14 (Aug. 25)</p> <p>Day 18 (Aug. 29)</p> <p>Day 21 (Sept. 2)</p> <p>Day 21 (Sept. 2)</p> <p>Day 21 (Sept. 2)</p> | |
| <p>8) Complaint Committee prepares its preliminary report and shares it with the parties and interveners.</p> | <p>Day 31 (Sept. 12)</p> | |
| <p>9) Parties and interveners provide their comments on the preliminary report.</p> | <p>Day 35 (Sept. 16)</p> | |
| <p>10) Complaint Committee prepares its final report.</p> | <p>Day 43 (Sept. 24)</p> | |
| <p>Council Meeting September 30 to October 1, 2014</p> | | |
| <p>11) Council makes its decision on the complaint.</p> | <p>Day 49 (Sept. 30)</p> | |
| <p>12) Council informs parties and interveners of its decision</p> | <p>Day 49 (Sept. 30)</p> | |