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VIA EMAIL

Ms. Nathalie Vanasse, Registrar
Farm Products Council of Canada
Central Experimental Farm
Ottawa, ON K1A 0C6

Dear Ms. Vanasse:

**RE: OBHECC COMPLAINT TO FPCC
OUR MATTER ID: 1382-004**

As Council is aware, CHEP has encouraged the complainants to seek a negotiated solution to the issues in respect of both the OBHECC and the SPOIQ complaints through a facilitated mediation process outside the complaint process.

We are pleased to inform Council that both OBHECC and SPOIQ have agreed to participate in a facilitated mediation process, with certain conditions.

OBHECC and SPOIQ are proposing that the mediation would take place over a two day period on October 26 and 27, 2015, the days set aside by Council for the informal meeting in the matter of the OBHECC complaint. These days were selected because the interested stakeholders had already planned to be available and travel to Ottawa for the purposes of the OBHECC complaint.

Accordingly, on behalf of CHEP and OBHECC, and with the support of SPOIQ, we respectfully request that the informal meeting be adjourned to a later date that is convenient to Council and would provide a reasonable amount of time to endeavour to forge solutions to resolve the issues in the OBHECC complaint. An adjournment of the informal meeting by approximately one month would be reasonable from the perspective of CHEP, OBHECC and SPOIQ, subject to the availability of Council complaint committee members, staff and interested stakeholders.

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Similarly, on behalf of CHEP and SPOIQ, and with the support of OBHECC, we respectfully request that the SPOIQ complaint be held in abeyance for a similar period of time, pending the mediation process, to provide a reasonable amount of time to endeavour to forge solutions to the issues in the SPOIQ complaint.

CHEP, SPOIQ and OBHECC sincerely appreciate Council's consideration of this joint request.

Yours very truly,



David K. Wilson

- c. Scott Snider, Counsel to OBHECC
- Pierre Brosseau, Counsel to SPOIQ
- Interveners in the OBHECC complaint
- Laurent Pellerin, FPCC
- Jack Greydanus, CHEP
- Giuseppe Caminiti, CHEP
- CHEP Directors, Alternates, Provincial Board Chairs and Managers