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Dear Justin

IMPLEMENTATION OF STATUTORY MEASURES IN THE CITRUS INDUSTRY

The Citrus Growers Association's (CGA) letter dated 9 October 2003, refers.

The Minister of Agriculture approved, on 19 August 2004, the following statutory measures as requested by the CGA:

- 1) in terms of section 15 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act (MAP Act), the payment of a statutory levy of 32 cents per 15 kg carton citrus fruit exported from South Africa.
- 2) in terms of section 18 of the MAP Act, the rendering of records and returns to the CGA.
- 3) in terms of section 19 of the MAP Act: registration with the CGA.

The above measures were approved on the following conditions:

- a) that the CGA must submit its annual audited financial statements reflecting actual income and expenditure figures yearly to the NAMC and the Auditor-General. The percentage allocated towards transformation should be indicated in the expenditure figures.
- b) that the financial statements should be accompanied by a report stating how the objectives of the levy have been met.

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- c) that the NAMC continues its observer status on the CGA to ensure compliance with the original intent of the application.
- d) that any surplus income from the levy (actual amount collected above the amount budgeted for) should be transferred to a separate fund.
- e) that the surplus fund should not form part of the assets of the CGA as the administrator of the levy and would be utilised with the approval of the Minister after the lapsing of the levy.
- f) that levies must be accounted for, in a manner and to the extent acceptable to the Auditor-General, separately from any other funds or assets under the control of the levy administrator.
- g) that electronic data regarding the implemented statutory measures (records and returns etc.) on the whole industry be supplied to the NAMC on a quarterly basis. A time series of industry data should also be provided at the introduction of the levy.

The relevant notices will be published in the *Government Gazette* of 25 August 2004.

Yours sincerely

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