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DELIVERED VIA REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Brad Reid
Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm
5050-244 Street
Langley, B.C.
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Dear Mr. Reid:

Re: Cease and Desist Chicken Production and Marketing

We are the solicitors for the B.C. Chicken Marketing Board (the "Board"). The Board has knowledge that you and the Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm are engaged in the production of chicken and that you do not hold Board-issued quota or a Board-issued permit for this production.

The Regulations of the Board, made effective August 15, 2000, provide, in some of their relevant parts, as follows:

"All chicken shall be produced on a Board quota unless otherwise determined by the Board" (Regulation 2).

"Only persons to whom a valid quota has been allotted and who currently hold a valid quota shall produce any chicken" (Regulation 3).

"No person shall commence or continue to engage in the production of chicken except under the authority of a Board license as a grower of chicken" (Regulation 23).

"Chicken" is defined in Regulations as "any class of chicken under six months of age not raised or used for egg production, grown in British Columbia..." (Part 1 - Definitions).

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These and numerous other requirements under the Regulations apply to the chicken grown on the Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm. Neither you nor the Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm has a licence, quota or a permit from the Board for this production and, as a result, you and your farm are seriously in breach of the Board's Regulations.

As you are no doubt aware, staff of the Board have attempted to make contact with you on several occasions in the past to discuss with you how the Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm could become compliant with the Board's Regulations through Part 43 of the Regulations, which create a New Entrant, Niche Market and Specialty Program. This Part of the Regulations allows those who were producing chicken at the time of the entry into force of the new Regulations to become compliant with the new Regulations by receiving a permit, on application to the Board. I enclose a copy of Part 43 of the Regulations.

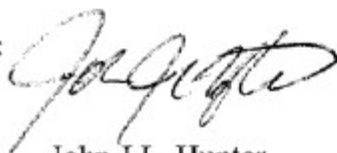
We are advised that you have refused to discuss this Program or your farm's participation in it with Board staff. You have also refused to become compliant with the Board's Regulations. Accordingly, in the circumstances and pursuant to, among others, s.4.01(a), (c), (c.1) and (c.2) of the *British Columbia Chicken Marketing Scheme*, 1961, B.C. Reg. 188/61, we are instructed to advise you that the Board has ordered that you and Thomas Reid Organic Chicken Farm immediately cease production and marketing of chicken, as defined in the Regulations.

For your information, you have the opportunity to appeal this order to the British Columbia Marketing Board. Notice of the appeal must be received by the B.C.M.B. within thirty days after you first receive notice of this Order.

Yours truly,

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Per:



John J.L. Hunter

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