



FOCUS Newsletters

FPCC meeting

March 20, 2018

The FPCC met in Ottawa on March 20, 2018, where Council members discussed various issues and received from FPCC staff an update on current files. These included the consideration for approval of 2 levies orders, an update on the Calendar of Activities, the complaint by Belwood Poultry Ltd. and the administration of the *Agricultural Products Marketing Act*.



The FPCC considered the following agencies' proposed regulatory amendments:

Turkey Farmers of Canada (TFC)

Council members approved TFC's amendment to the *Canada Turkey Marketing Producers Levy Order* for 2018 which retains the national levy at 1.8 cents per kg (live weight). This order will come in effect on the date of registration until March 31, 2019. The levy rates approved by FPCC are a combination of the national levy and provincial levies. Provincial levies are also unchanged.



Beef Cattle Research, Market Development and Promotion Levies Order

Council members approved the *Beef Cattle Research, Market Development and Promotion Levies Order*, to reflect the recent change in the national levy in Alberta and Saskatchewan. The requested amendments are effective on the date of registration and expire on June 29, 2018, and cover the proposed increase of the national levies in Alberta and Saskatchewan from \$3.00 to \$4.50 per head in both provinces.

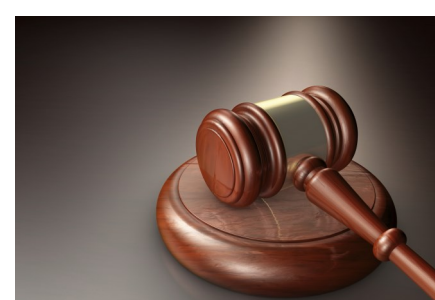


To view the decision letters, please follow this [link](#) to FPCC's Web site.

Other Business

Update on Belwood Poultry Ltd. Complaint

A third preparatory teleconference was held on March 28, 2018, with the Parties to discuss the process and timelines of the in-person examination. After discussions the Respondent Agency requested additional time to complete and compile their expert report. During the in-person examination the Complaint Committee will take this opportunity to hear arguments and clarify facts of this complaint in order to provide a recommendation for decision by the whole Council.



Upcoming Activities

FPCC's Interim Chairman, Mike Pickard, spoke at the national marketing agencies' Annual General meetings during the week of March 19, 2018. In addition, Mr. Pickard and Council member Maryse Dubé, will continue to speak at provincial commodity boards annual general meetings during the Spring months.



Council members view these speaking events as good opportunities for provincial stakeholders to meet members and provide a better understanding of who we are and what we do. It is also a good occasion to discuss specific challenges the boards are facing.

The processes to fill the Chairperson and members positions are still ongoing. The FPCC is hopeful that a new Chairperson and a larger Council will be complete soon.

CHEP's new Executive Director

The Executive Committee of the Canadian Hatching Egg Producers (CHEP) has announced the appointment of Mr. Drew Black as Executive Director. Mr. Black has strong knowledge of agriculture, environmental, and Indigenous policy issues. He holds a Masters of Science from the School of Politics and International Relations at University College Dublin and a Bachelor of Arts Honours in Political Science and Human Rights, Carleton University.



In his previous roles, he was Director, Environment and Science Policy with the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, as well as Policy Analyst with the Assembly of First Nations. The FPCC staff and Council members look forward to meeting and working with Mr. Black and CHEP's Executive Committee in the coming year.

Agencies' Executive Committee 2018

Chicken Farmers of Canada

Chair: Benoît Fontaine
1st Vice-Chair: Derek Janzen
2nd Vice-Chair: Nick de Graaf
Executive Member: Tim Klompmaker

Egg Farmers of Canada

Chairman: Roger Pelissero
1st Vice-Chair: John Penner
2nd Vice-Chair: Glen Jennings
Executive Member: Emmanuel Destrijker

Turkey Farmers of Canada

Chair: Darren Ference
Vice-Chair: Calvin McBain
Executive Member: Brian Ricker

Canadian Hatching Egg Producers

Chair: Jack Greydanus
Vice-Chair: Gyslain Loyer
Second Vice-Chair: Brian Bilkes

Upcoming Meetings-2018

May

8-9	Farm Products Council of Canada	Ottawa, ON
17	Further Poultry Processors Association of Canada	Toronto, ON
30-31	Chicken Farmers of Canada	Ottawa, ON

June

4	Farm Products Council of Canada	Montreal, QC
17	Further Poultry Processors Association of Canada	Toronto, ON
19-21	Turkey Farmers of Canada	Guelph, ON

July

9-11	Egg Farmers of Canada	
17-19	Canadian Hatching Egg Producers	Halifax, NS
23-26	Chicken Farmers of Canada	Halifax, NS

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