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Application Guide for the Golden Nematode Disaster Program (GNDP)

Introduction

This application allows for eligible producers to request federal financial assistance due to restrictions to control the spread of Golden Nematode, first detected in August 2006. To be eligible for assistance, a producer must have grown potatoes in a regulated area, as determined in October by the Ministerial Order, in Quebec during the 2006 crop year on registered land or in a registered nursery or greenhouse.

Note that there are three types of assistance provided under this application:

- *Support Payment for Extraordinary Costs – **Deadline: February 2, 2007***
- *Compensation for Disposal of Potato Crops – **Deadline: April 30, 2007***
- *Reimbursement under Renewal Programs (Farm Business Assessment and Specialized Business Planning Services) – **Deadline: December 31, 2007.***

You have been provided with several copies of the form in case you wish to apply for each type of assistance separately to coincide with the individual deadline dates. Additional copies are also available through the GNDP web site (www.agr.gc.ca) or at the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) office in Saint-Hyacinthe.

The CFIA will provide confirmation of the acreage for potato, nursery and greenhouse productions and of the total weight of appropriately disposed potatoes. When applying for the Support Payment for Extraordinary Costs (Part B) and the Compensation for Disposal of Potato Crops (Part C), please send your completed and signed application to the CFIA at the following address:

Canadian Food Inspection Agency
3100 boul. Laframboise
Room 206
Saint-Hyacinthe QC J2S 4Z4

When applying for reimbursement under the Renewal Programs (Part D), please send your completed and signed application to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) at the following address:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
930 Carling Ave
Room 216, Building 75
Ottawa ON K1A 0C5

Any questions about the GNDP should be addressed to AAFC in Ottawa at 1-866-439-8488.

All information collected under the GNDP and their associated premises shall be subject to release to the Auditor General of Canada for the purpose of audit and evaluation. Such information may also be used for analytical purposes on an aggregate basis. Individual confidentiality will be maintained.

Individual producer information collected through applications may be released to The Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec (MAPAQ).

AAFC shall provide tax information to the Canadian Revenue Agency and/or Revenu Québec as required.

A producer who provides fraudulent information or otherwise misrepresents the facts or who fails to comply with the conditions of the GNDP shall be obliged to return any payment received, including any applicable interest and penalties.

Payment Details

The Support Payment for Extraordinary Costs shall be paid as follows:

- up to \$769 per hectare of potatoes fields for the extraordinary cost incurred for the cleaning of machinery, decontamination of the warehouses and handling facilities and other related expenses and equipment; and
- up to \$600 per hectare of nursery and/or greenhouse area for the extraordinary cost incurred for the cleaning of machinery, decontamination of the warehouses and handling facilities and other related expenses and equipment.

The Support Payment shall be made in two installments consisting of an initial payment of 90 percent of the estimated final acreage payment, followed by a final payment based on available funding. Final payment calculations will be made after the April 30, 2007 deadline for Compensation for Disposal of Crops.

Compensation for Disposal of Potato Crops shall be paid as follows:

- \$0.60 per hundred weight (\$13.20 per metric tonne) of potatoes coming from non-detected fields for the presence of Golden Nematode.

These payments shall be considered as revenue for purposes of the Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program to ensure that a producer is not compensated more than once for the same loss.

The Farm Business Assessment (FBA) and the Specialized Business Planning Services (SBPS) are initiatives under the Canadian Farm Business Advisory Services (CFBAS). Producers shall be reimbursed 60 percent of their eligible costs for participating in these programs.

Under the FBA, a producer is entitled to up to five days of consulting services to undertake a farm financial assessment and to develop an action plan to meet their goals for profitability. This service is valued at \$2,500; the federal and provincial governments pay \$2,400 and the producer pays the balance of \$100. Through the GNDP, the producer will be reimbursed \$60 of the \$100 consultant fee.

Under the SBPS, producers may receive assistance for specialized business planning in areas such as diversification, marketing, human resources, expansion, risk management, or succession planning. Following completion of the business plan, producers will be reimbursed 50 percent of the associated cost by the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec (MAPAQ), up to a maximum of \$8,000 for one producer, \$16,000 for a group of two producers, \$24,000 for a group of three producers and \$25,000 for a group of four or more producers. Upon receipt of their payment from MAPAQ, producers will be reimbursed a further 60 percent of that payment by AAFC.

The amount payable to a producer under all elements of the GNDP during the 2006-07 and 2007-08 fiscal years shall not exceed \$400,000.

Instructions for Completion

Part A – Personal Identification – All fields must be completed.

Part B – Support Payment for Extraordinary Costs – Indicate if you are a field crop, nursery or greenhouse producer, the number of hectares eligible for the support payment.

Part C – Compensation for Disposal of Potato Crops – Indicate your land registry and CFIA Movement Certificate numbers and the number of metric tonnes of potatoes disposed. Include a copy of the Movement Certificate that you received from CFIA.

Part D – Reimbursement under Renewal Programs – Indicate under which program you are claiming reimbursement. Include a copy of the payment receipt from the consultant or approval of payment letter from MAPAQ.



APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE GOLDEN NEMATODE DISASTER PROGRAM (GNDP)

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PART A - PERSONAL INFORMATION

Producer/Company Name		Type of Business	
Address		<input type="checkbox"/> Sole proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	
		Telephone Number	Facsimile Number
		E-mail	
		G.S.T. #	B.R.N. # NE
Names of All Partners or Shareholders (Add additional pages if necessary.)	Address		Telephone Number

PART B - SUPPORT PAYMENT FOR EXTRAORDINARY COSTS DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 2, 2007

Potato Crops Nursery Crops Greenhouse Crops

Land Registry Number	Number of Hectares	CFIA USE ONLY - Hectares

PART C - COMPENSATION FOR DISPOSAL OF POTATO CROPS DEADLINE - APRIL 30, 2007

Land Registry Number	Movement Certificate Number	Number of Metric Tonnes	CFIA USE ONLY - Metric Tonnes

PART D - REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM UNDER THE RENEWAL PROGRAM DEADLINE - DECEMBER 31, 2007

Farm Business Assessment Specialized Business Planning Services

PRODUCER DECLARATION: I have read, understood, and agree to be bound by the terms of the Golden Nematode Disaster Program as set out in the attached Application Guide. I declare that the information provided by me on this application is true.

 Signature

 Date

For AAFC / CFIA Approval Only	Name	Signature	Date

