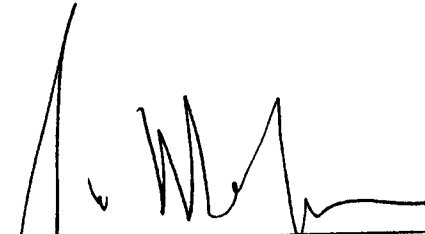


**THIS IS EXHIBIT "38"
REFERRED TO IN THE
AFFIDAVIT OF WARD P. WEISENSEL
SWORN BEFORE ME
THIS 19th DAY OF JUNE, 2007**



A Notary Public in and for the
Province of Manitoba

Minister
of Agriculture and
Agri-Food
and Minister for the
Canadian Wheat Board



Ministre
de l'Agriculture et de
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Mr. Ken Ritter
Chair, Board of Directors
The Canadian Wheat Board
423 Main Street
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Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2P5

Dear Mr. Ritter:

I am writing to inform you of the results of the 2007 barley plebiscite, which I am announcing today. A majority of farmers indicated that they wanted to end the Canadian Wheat Board's (CWB) monopoly on barley and increase their marketing options. Of 29,067 votes cast, 48.4 per cent were in favour of a choice in marketing, including a voluntary CWB, and 13.8 per cent were in favour of removing the CWB from any role in marketing barley. 37.8 per cent preferred to maintain the status quo. A detailed breakdown of the vote is enclosed for your information.

I designed the plebiscite to be a broadly based consultation with farmers, to give them the opportunity to express their opinions on how they would like to market barley in the future. KPMG, an internationally recognized professional services firm, administered the plebiscite process on my behalf. The firm mailed out voter packages, verified the completed declaration forms through a rigorous validation process, and counted and tabulated the ballots. Independent professional election officials from cities in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba acted as scrutineers to oversee the ballot-opening, counting, and tabulating process. KPMG will retain possession of the returned declaration forms and ballots and will destroy them after the results have been announced.

Barley producers have spoken clearly, and I intend to move decisively to honour their wishes and to provide the sector with clarity and market certainty. I plan to recommend that barley be removed from the application of Part IV of the *Canadian Wheat Board Act* through amendments to the *Canadian Wheat Board Regulations*. I propose that Part III of the Act continue to apply to barley. This will enable the CWB to establish barley pools for the many farmers who want to continue to use its services, with government guarantees of initial payments. It will also allow the government borrowing guarantees to continue.

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Mr. Ken Ritter

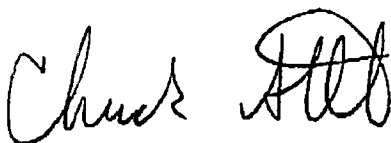
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Over the past year, we have discussed the Government's policy direction extensively through our meetings and correspondence. The Board of Directors has made its views clear, most recently in your March 26, 2007, letter informing me that the Board has resolved to work to secure the single desk for barley. While I understand your perspective, I intend to move forward to implement change in accordance with the expressed wishes of barley producers. I urge you to respect those wishes.

In closing, I will be working hard to ensure that marketing choice becomes a reality for Western Canada's barley growers by August 1 of this year. It is clear that farmers want the option to continue to sell to the CWB, and I am confident that the CWB will be able to maintain its strong customer relationships within Canada and around the world to provide farmers with that choice. I look forward to a new era of opportunity for Western Canada's barley producers.

I invite you to provide me with any comments that you have on my proposal by April 12, 2007.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck Strahl". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Chuck Strahl

Enclosure

Backgrounder

March 2007

PLEBISCITE RESULTS

The plebiscite on barley was designed as a broadly based consultation with farmers, giving them the opportunity to express their opinions on how they would like to market barley in the future.

Farmers were asked to select one of the following three options on the ballot.

- 1). The Canadian Wheat Board should retain the single desk for the marketing of barley into domestic human consumption and export markets.
- 2). I would like the option to market my barley to the Canadian Wheat Board or any other domestic or foreign buyer.
- 3). The Canadian Wheat Board should not have a role in the marketing of barley.

The results, as attested by the international professional services firm KPMG:

Barley Plebiscite Results					
	MB	SK	AB	BC	Overall
Total votes cast	3,703	15,327	9,881	156	29,067
Percent of votes					
Retain single desk	50.6	45.1	21.4	42.3	37.8
Prefer option to market to CWB or other buyer of my choice	34.6	42.1	63.4	49.4	48.4
CWB should have no role in marketing barley	14.8	12.8	15.2	8.3	13.8

The Government of Canada will now begin work on the necessary amendments to the Canadian Wheat Board regulations to remove barley from the CWB's single desk authority.

It is the Government's intention that marketing choice for Western Canada's barley growers will be a reality by August 1, 2007.