

CWB 2007-08 EARLY PAYMENT OPTION for Selected Barley: TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

- a. "Actual Grade" is the grade of the Selected Barley actually delivered by the Producer as reported on the Producer Certificate as defined in the Canadian Wheat Board Act.
- b. "Actual Producer" means a Producer actually engaged in the production of barley.
- c. "Approved Methods of Acceptance" are as set out in Paragraph 2.g. below.
- d. "Buyout Price" is the price available from the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) from time to time at which the CWB will allow the Producer to buy out his/her obligations under this Agreement. The Buyout Price equals the Discount per tonne at the Sign-up Date, less the time value of money, and an administration fee of \$15 per transaction.
- e. "Delivery Opportunities" are the opportunities for the delivery of Selected Barley through contract calls made by the selector, named in the SBSDC, from time to time during the crop year.
- f. "Discount" is the amount identified as such in the Pricing Schedule to be deducted from the Early Payment Value.
- g. "EPO" is the early payment option as provided for herein.
- h. "EPO Offer Expiry Date is July 31, 2008, or such earlier date as the CWB designates by withdrawing the Offer.
- i. "Early Payment Value" is either the 80, 90 or 100 per cent option of the Pool Return Outlook chosen by the Producer at time of acceptance, and identified as such in the Pricing Schedule, that the Producer can apply the Net Tonnes to by locking in one of the percentages pursuant to Paragraph 2. below.
- j. "Fax Form" is the "2007-08 Early Payment Option Sign-up/Lock-in Application" for Selected Barley.
- k. "Incremental Payment" is an amount identified as such in the Pricing Schedule.
- I. "Initial, Adjustment, Interim and Final Payments" are those payments made by the CWB for Selected Barley of the Actual Grade during the crop year in accordance with the Canadian Wheat Board Act.
- m. "Interested Party" means any person entitled as landlord, vendor or mortgagee, to the Selected Barley grown by an Actual Producer or to any share therein.
- n. "Net Tonnes" is the number of net tonnes of Selected Barley that the Producer has signed up under the EPO and will deliver to the CWB. The Net Tonnes must be a minimum of 20 net tonnes.
- o. "Pricing Damages" equal the Discount per tonne on the Sign-up Date, less the time value of money, and an administration fee of \$15 per transaction.
- p. "Pricing Schedule" is the schedule published by the CWB from time to time that identifies the Early Payment Value, Discount, Incremental Payment, and Reference Grade.
- r. q. "Producer" refers to both an Actual Producer and an Interested Party, and that party will be referred to as the "Producer" throughout the EPO and SBSDC contracts. "Reference Grade" for two-row barley is Standard Select Two-Row; for six-row barley is Standard Select Six-Row.
- s. "Risk Premium" is the cost charged to the Producer to Transfer quantities previously contracted for an EPO for Selected Barley to an EPO for Feed Barley. An amount of \$1.00 per tonne will be charged for 100 per cent option, \$0.50 per tonne will be charged for 90 per cent option and \$0.25 per tonne will be charged for 80 per cent option Transfers.
- t. "SBSDC" is the 2007-08 Selected Barley Storage and Delivery Contract.
- u. "Selected Barley" is barley which has been selected and accepted for use as pot barley or in malting or pearling, except sample grades.
- v. "Settlement Date" is the date on which a Producer Certificate is issued in respect of Selected Barley priced under the EPO.
- w. "Sign-up Date" is the date on which the Producer commits the Net Tonnes and locks in the Early Payment Value and Discount.
- x. "Transfer" is the process whereby a Producer may Transfer tonnes previously contracted for an EPO for Selected Barley to an EPO for Feed Barley at the same Early Payment Value percentage plus the Risk Premium and Transfer Cost, plus \$15 per transaction fee.
- y. "Transfer Cost" equals any positive value resulting from taking the Discount of the priced grade of barley on the Sign-up Date less the Discount of the priced grade of barley on the Transfer Date, less the Discount of the Transfer grade of barley on the Sign-up Date.
- z. "Transfer Date" is the date on which the Producer chooses to Transfer a defined quantity of Selected Barley from a previously contracted EPO for Selected Barley to an EPO for Feed Barley.

2. OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE

- a. An Actual Producer or an Interested Party must, in their own right, enter into both an EPO and SBSDC with the CWB for the Selected Barley, unless the Net Tonnes are designated in accordance with Paragraph 6.b.i.
- b. In accordance with these Terms and Conditions, the CWB offers to pay the *Producer* according to the payment formula set out in Paragraph 3.c. below (the "Offer").
- c. The *Offer* is open for acceptance by the *Producer* until July 31, 2008 unless earlier terminated by the CWB. The CWB reserves the right to withdraw the *Offer* at any time and without prior notice.
- d. The CWB reserves the right to reject an individual's acceptance of the *Offer*, for any reason including where the *Producer* has outstanding *Pricing Damages* on a previous Producer Payment Options contract.
- e. The Producer's acceptance of the Offer will not be valid unless it is made in strict compliance with one of the Approved Methods of Acceptance.
- f. The *Producer's* acceptance of the *Offer* will not be valid unless it is actually received at the head office of the CWB prior to the earlier of the withdrawal of the *Offer* or the expiration of the time for acceptance.
- g. The Approved Methods of Acceptance are:
 - . Telephoning the CWB at 1-800-275-4292 and following the instructions of the CWB operator to provide: the *Producer's* 10 digit CWB identification number and confidential Personal Identification Number (PIN); the type of *Selected Barley* and the number of tonnes of *Selected Barley* signed up as the *Net Tonnes*. The CWB's records of such telephone call, including any written confirmation, are conclusive and binding on the *Producer*.
 - ii. Faxing a Fax Form to the CWB at 1-204-983-8031. The Fax Form must be completed fully and accurately and the Producer must sign it. In the event of any uncertainty as to the information provided by the Producer in the Fax Form, the CWB may, at its sole discretion, reject the acceptance of the Offer as invalid. The Fax Form will be deemed to have been received at the time printed on the fax by the CWB's fax machine.

3. CWB's OBLIGATIONS: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. The CWB is not obligated to accept delivery of the Net Tonnes unless it is satisfied, in its sole discretion, that:
 - i. The Producer's barley is accepted pursuant to the terms and conditions of the SBSDC; and
 - i. The *Producer* took full advantage of all *Delivery Opportunities* for *Selected Barley* that were available to the *Producer* from time to time during the crop year for which the *EPO* was chosen.
- b. The Producer locking in an Early Payment Value and Discount under this Agreement shall be paid as follows:



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- i. the Initial Payment for the Actual Grade;
- ii. add the difference between the Early Payment Value locked in on the Sign-up Date and the Initial Payment for the Reference Grade on the Settlement Date;
- iii. add the Incremental Payment locked in on the Sign-up Date that corresponds to the Settlement Date; and
- iv. subtract the Discount locked in on the Sign-up Date.
- c. The CWB also agrees to pay the *Producer* all adjustment, interim or final payments for the *Actual Grade* delivered to the extent that such payments exceed the value calculated by adding the values in Paragraph 3.b.i. and 3.b.ii. above.
- d. If the aggregate amounts payable to a *Producer* pursuant to Paragraph 3.c. above, are less than the *Initial Payment* for the *Actual Grade* on the *Settlement Date*, the CWB shall have the right to set-off, to the extent of the difference, any and all amounts that may become payable to the *Producer* by the CWB, and/or against the proceeds of any and all deliveries made by the *Producer* under the *Producer*'s delivery permit, or under any and all delivery permits in which the *Producer* has an interest. Any such delivery permit may be so endorsed.
- e. Payments shall be subject to all deductions authorized under the Canadian Wheat Board Act or otherwise authorized by law, including, without limitation, deductions under the Prairie Grain Advance Program Act, Agricultural Marketing Programs Act, Spring Credit Advance Program and the Enhanced Spring Credit Advance Program.

4. PRODUCER'S OBLIGATIONS: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. The Producer undertakes to deliver the Net Tonnes in accordance with the SBSDC and this Agreement.
- b. The *Producer* acknowledges that, except to the extent that any provisions may be inconsistent, this Agreement does not alter the *Producer*'s obligations under any delivery contract entered into between the *Producer* and the CWB. The *Producer* agrees that this shall be the case regardless of whether such delivery contract is entered into prior to or subsequent to the *Producer* entering into this Agreement or selecting a payment option pursuant to this Agreement. In the event of such an inconsistency, the provisions of this Agreement will prevail.

5. LOCKING IN THE EARLY PAYMENT VALUE AND DISCOUNT

- a. The *Producer* must lock in an *Early Payment Value* and *Discount* for all of the *Net Tonnes* in accordance with the *Pricing Schedule* in effect on the *Sign-up Date*. No partial lock-ins are permitted.
- b. The Early Payment Value and the Discount locked in shall be those in effect at the time the CWB receives the Producer's acceptance in accordance with Paragraph 2.g.
- c. Any attempt by the Producer to lock in the Early Payment Value and Discount will not be valid unless it strictly complies with Paragraph 2.g.
- d. EPO contracts originating from a Transfer will receive the Early Payment Value and Discount in accordance with the Pricing Schedule in effect on the Sign-up Date. The Risk Premium will be charged to the Producer in addition to the Discount, Transfer Cost and a \$15 per transaction administration fee.

6. DESIGNATING THE NET TONNES

- a. At the time the CWB receives the *Producer's* acceptance of *the Offer* in accordance with Paragraph 2.g., the *Producer* shall designate the *Net Tonnes* to be priced under the *EPO*;
- b. The Producer can use either of the following options to price the Net Tonnes under the EPO for Selected Barley:
 - i. On or before the Settlement Date, the Producer may indicate whether the Selected Barley to be delivered shall be deemed the Net Tonnes and priced under the EPO. Such designation shall be made by advising the CWB's agent at the location where the Selected Barley is delivered of the EPO contract and the SBSDC number. In the event both the Actual Producer and an Interested Party have an EPO for Selected Barley, the Interested Party's deliveries will be applied against his/her EPO until all of the Net Tonnes have been delivered against that contract. The Net Tonnes will then be applied against the Actual Producer's EPO until all of the Net Tonnes have been delivered.
 - ii. If the *Producer* does not so indicate, deliveries made after the *Sign-up Date* of the *EPO* against the *SBSDC* will be automatically applied to this Agreement until all of the *Net Tonnes* have been delivered. In the event the *Producer* has either of a Fixed Price Contract (FPC) or a Basis Payment Contract (BPC) and an *EPO*, deliveries will automatically be applied against the FPC or BPC until all of the *Net Tonnes* have been delivered against that contract. The *Net Tonnes* will then be applied against the *EPO* until all of the *Net Tonnes* have been delivered.

7. PRODUCER BUYOUTS, TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENTS

- a. The Producer may, at any time after entering into this Agreement, buy out his/her obligations hereunder by paying to the CWB the Buyout Price.
- b. In the event that a *Producer's Selected Barley* is later rejected, he/she can *Transfer* all or a portion of the outstanding tonnes to an *EPO* for Feed Barley. All of the terms and conditions for the *EPO* for Feed Barley will apply. The *Early Payment Value* for Feed Barley available on the *Pricing Date* will apply subject to a *Transfer Cost*. The *Transfer Cost* will be based on market values on the date the *Producer* contacts the CWB to *Transfer*.
- b. The *Producer* (assignor) may assign all the rights and obligations of this Agreement to another *Producer* (assignee) upon written consent of the CWB. A \$15 per transaction administration fee will be charged to the assignor.

8. DEFAULT: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. The Producer shall be deemed to be in default under the EPO if the Producer fails, for any reason, to deliver all of the Net Tonnes in accordance with this Agreement. As a result of the default the Producer will be obligated to pay Pricing Damages. The Producer will be prohibited from entering into any future Producer Payment Option agreements until such time as the Pricing Damages pursuant to this Agreement and any applicable liquidated damages are repaid.
- b. In the event that the *Producer* is in default as a result of his/her failure to deliver the *Net Tonnes*, the *Pricing Damages* assessed in accordance with this Agreement will be paid in addition to any liquidated damages which may be assessed pursuant to any 2007-08 *SBSDC* entered into with the CWB.
- c. The *Producer* and the CWB agree that the *Pricing Damages* determined in this manner are a genuine pre-estimate of the actual damages the CWB will incur as a result of the default by the *Producer* and that such damages are not a penalty.
- d. *Pricing Damages* may be set off by the CWB against any and all amounts that may become payable to the *Producer* by the CWB, and/or against the proceeds of any and all deliveries made by the *Producer* under the *Producer*'s delivery permit, or under any and all delivery permits in which the *Producer* has an interest. Any such delivery permit may be so endorsed.

9. GENERAL PROVISIONS

a. This Agreement and the SBSDC agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the CWB and the Producer with respect to the pricing of the Net Tonnes. There are no representations, warranties, terms or conditions, whether expressed or implied, beyond those contained herein. There shall be no changes or modifications to this Agreement unless they are made in writing, and signed by both the Producer and the CWB. For



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greater certainty, the term "this Agreement" as used herein shall include the Fax Form and the 2007-08 Early Payment Option for Selected Barley: Terms and Conditions.

- b. If any provision, or part thereof, of this Agreement is determined to be void, invalid, or unenforceable, it will be severed and will not void, invalidate, or make unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.
- c. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Manitoba and the courts of the Province of Manitoba shall have exclusive jurisdiction in the case of any dispute.
- d. The *Producer* represents that he/she is of the age of majority in the Province of Manitoba. Where the *Producer* is a corporation, partnership, cooperative or other business entity, the *Producer* and the person signing on behalf of the *Producer*, represent that the person signing on behalf of the *Producer* is of the age of majority in the Province of Manitoba.
- e. This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of the heirs, administrators, executors, legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns of the *Producer* and the CWB. However, no assignment by the *Producer* of this Agreement will bind the CWB without its prior written consent.
- f. If the *Producer* is a corporation, partnership, co-operative or other business entity, this Agreement must be signed in the entity's name and the authorized officer, agent or partner(s) who sign(s) on behalf of the entity must state their position and authority.
- g. The Producer shall fully indemnify the CWB for any and all legal expenses associated with the enforcement of this Agreement.
- h. The exercise by the CWB of any right or remedy provided herein shall not affect any other remedy that the CWB may have for the same default. Nor shall the forbearance of the CWB to exercise any right or remedy be considered a waiver of any right or remedy it may have.
- i. Any deliveries made against this Agreement are for the benefit of the *Actual Producer* or the *Interested Party* that has executed this *EPO* contract. All deliveries are subject to the terms and conditions established for the 2007-08 crop year.
- j. Time shall be of the essence in this Agreement.