



Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Levy Orders under the Commodity Levies Act 1990: Vegetables and Fruit Sector

Portfolio **Agriculture**

On 19 February 2019, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that Horticulture New Zealand Incorporated has applied for a new levy order on vegetables and fruit under the Commodity Levies Act 1990, to replace the Commodity Levies (Vegetables and Fruit) Order 2013 from 1 April 2019;
- 2 **noted** that Onions New Zealand Incorporated has applied for a new levy order on onions under the Commodity Levies Act 1990, to replace the Commodity Levies (Onions) Order 2013 from 13 May 2019;
- 3 **noted** that the following industry organisations have applied for new levy orders under the Commodity Levies Act 1990, for the orders to come into effect from 1 April 2019:

Commodity	Applicant organisation
Process vegetables	Process Vegetables New Zealand
Fresh vegetables	Vegetables New Zealand Incorporated
Fresh tomatoes	Tomatoes New Zealand Incorporated

- 4 **noted** that based on advice from the Ministry for Primary Industries, the Minister of Agriculture has determined that all five applications fully meet the requirements of the Commodity Levies Act 1990;
- 5 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the following commodity levy orders:
 - 5.1 Commodity Levies (Vegetables and Fruit) Order 2019 [PCO 21895/4.0];
 - 5.2 Commodity Levies (Process Vegetables) Order 2019 [PCO 21898/2.0];

- 5.3 Commodity Levies (Fresh Vegetables) Order 2019 [PCO 21897/2.0];
 - 5.4 Commodity Levies (Fresh Tomatoes) Order 2019 [PCO 21896/2.0];
 - 5.5 Commodity Levies (Onions) Order 2019 [PCO 21894/2.0];
- 6 **invited** the Minister of Agriculture, in consultation with other Ministers as appropriate, to consider options for simplifying the commodity levy-making process.

Gerrard Carter
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Stuart Nash
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway
Hon Tracey Martin
Hon Ron Mark
Hon Kris Faafoi

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