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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NO. R. 1135

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MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996 (ACT No 47 OF 1996)

ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: REGISTRATION OF PRODUCERS AND EXPORTERS OF TABLE GRAPES

I, Angela Thokozile Didiza, Minister for Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development acting under sections 13 and 19 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

MRS AT DIDIZA, MP MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT.

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context indicates otherwise -

"Exporter" means a person who trades table grapes for export for his own account, or acts as an agent on a commission basis on behalf of producers;

"Grape Producer" means a producer of table grapes intended for fresh table grape exports;

"SATI" means the South African Table Grape Industry, a section 21 company incorporated in terms of the Companies Act (61 of 1973) whose members are farmers who produce Table Grapes within the borders of South Africa. SATI's principal office is 63 Main Street, Paarl, 7624, Western Cape, South Africa;

"Table grapes" means fresh table grapes; and

"Vines" means vines intended for the production of table grapes.

A person shall have a choice to register as either a producer or an exporter. A person who is a producer as well as an exporter must register as a producer and as an exporter.

Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act

2. The purpose and aims of the statutory measure is to compel the parties set out herein to register with the South African Table Grape Industry (SATI). Registration is necessary to assist SATI to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to the products as defined, is available to all role players. Market information is deemed essential for all role players in order for them to make informed decisions. By combining compulsory registration with the keeping of information and the rendering of returns on an individual basis, market information for the whole of the industry can be processed and disseminated and will form the basis for the collection of levies where applicable and appropriate.

The establishment of the measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing of table grapes. The viability of the table grape industry should thus be enhanced. The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice.

The measure will be implemented and administered by SATI, a company (Registration Number: 2002/024268/08) incorporated under Section 21 of the Companies Act, 1973 (Act 61 of 1973).

Products to which the statutory measure applies

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all inspected volumes of table grapes passed for export.

Area in which measure shall apply

4. This measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

Records to be kept and returns to be rendered

- 5. (1) All producers and exporters of table grapes shall register with SATI.
 - (a) Vine surveys; and
 - (b) the volume of grapes destined (intended) for export; and
 - (2) A person shall have a choice to register as either a producer or exporter.
 - (3) A person who is a producer as well as an exporter shall register as a producer and as an exporter.

(4) A registration with the National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development or its assignee would be deemed a SATI registration.

Application for registration

- (1) be made within 30 days of the commencement of this statutory measure, and in the case of a person becoming a party as contemplated in clause 5 after such date of commencement, within 30 days of becoming such a party;
 - (2) be made on the application form obtainable free of charge from SATI;
 - (3) be submitted, when forwarded by post, to –

SATI P O Box 2932 **PAARL** 7620

(4) when delivered by hand, be delivered to – SATI 63 Main Street PAARL 7646
(5) when sent by telefax, be addressed to – 21-872 75
(6) when sent by E-mail, addressed to – info@satgi.co.za

Commencement and period of validity

7 This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and will lapse (four) 4 years later.