DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NO. R. 5706

20 December 2024

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

ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: REGISTRATION OF PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE EXPORT OF FRESH CITRUS FRUIT

I, John Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture, 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.

MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

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 otherwise indicates -

"CGA" means the Citrus Growers Association of Southern Africa, deemed to be incorporated under the Companies Act, 2008 (Act No. 71 of 2008), with registration number 2000/010147/08;

"export agent" means a person that exports citrus fruit on behalf of a producer in an agency capacity;

"exporter" means a person that exports citrus fruit in his own right, and includes a producer that exports citrus fruit on his own behalf or on behalf of other producers;

"export citrus fruit" means fresh citrus fruit intended for export;

"levy" means a levy imposed under the Act;

"**person**" includes any person defined as such in the Interpretation Act, 1957 (Act No. 33 of 1957);

"producer" means the grower of export citrus fruit; and

"**the Act**" means the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), as amended.

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

2.(1) The purpose and aim of this statutory measure is to compel the parties set out herein to register with the CGA. Registration is necessary to ensure that the levy

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imposed on producers, export agents or exporters on export citrus fruit can be collected.

(2) By requiring registration with the keeping of information and the rendering of returns, information for the whole of the industry can be co-ordinated to ensure the orderly collection of levies.

(3) The measure will be administered by CGA.

Persons to whom statutory measure applies

 This statutory measure shall apply to all producers, export agents and exporters of export citrus fruit.

Area in which statutory measure applies

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

Registration

5. (1) All export agents, exporters and producers of export citrus fruit shall be obliged to register with the CGA and inform the CGA when their status change.

(2) Application for registration, or a change in the status of a person that requires amendment to his or her registration, shall -

- (a) be made within 30 days of the commencement of this statutory measure, or in the case of a person becoming an exporter or a producer, ceasing to be an exporter or a producer, or otherwise changing his or her status as an exporter or a producer, within 30 days of such change;
- (b) be made on the applicable form obtainable free of charge from the CGA.

(3) The application for registration, or a change in registration referred to in subclause (2), shall –

(a) when forwarded by post, be addressed to -CGA P.O. Box 461 Hillcrest 3650

- (b) when delivered by hand, be delivered to CGA
 Unit 7
 22 On Main
 GILLITTS
- (c) when submitted by e-mail, be sent to robertm@cga.co.za

Commencement and validity

6. This statutory measure comes into operation on the date of publication hereof and lapse on 31 December 2028.