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Commission Report

BC Vegetable Marketing Commission Monthly Newsletter

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The nomination deadline for the Commission 2013 election was Friday, February 22. At the close of nominations for the five positions one nomination was received for three positions while two nominations were received for two positions. The table below summarizes the nomination outcome.

2013 Commission Election Nomination Outcome

Position	Candidate /Nominee	Eligible Voters	Term of Office
Processing Vegetable Crops	Hugh Reynolds Opinder Bhatti	All District I eligible processing crop producers	April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015
Storage Crops – at large	Peter Guichon Javeen Hothi	All District I, II & III eligible storage crop producers	April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015
Storage Crops District II & III	Blair Lodder	Election Not Required	April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014
Greenhouse Vegetables - Cucumbers	John Newell	Election Not Required	April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015
Greenhouse Vegetables - at large	Vijay Randhawa	Election Not Required	April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015

An election will be held for two Commission member positions; namely, Storage Crops – at large and Processing Vegetable Crops.

On February 26 the Independent Election Officer (IEO) mailed ballots for the two contested positions. Any eligible producer that has not received election information in the regular post by March 12 should contact Sharon Danyluk at the Commission office.

Completed ballots must be received by the IEO by end of day March 25.

Subject to being received candidate bios will be posted on the Commission web site. Click on the *News and Notices* button and navigate to *Notices*.

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AGRISTABILITY 2012
INTERIM APPLICATIONAgriStability
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AgriStability 2012 Interim Application

Attention Producers:

AgriStability participants experiencing income declines may apply for an Interim Payment for the 2012 crop year. An Interim Payment provides program participants with an advance payment of up to 50 percent of their estimated final 2012 benefit.

Here are some important details:

- The 2012 Interim Application deadline is **March 31, 2013**.
- To apply for an Interim Payment, you must be enrolled in AgriStability for the 2012 program year, and your enrolment fee must be paid by the deadline date.
- Participants, who receive a 2012 Interim Payment, are required to submit a completed 2012 Harmonized Form by December 31, 2013, so that their final 2012 benefit can be calculated.
- Participants, who do not submit their 2012 harmonized form by the December deadline, will be considered to be in an overpayment position, and therefore, be required to repay the full amount of their 2012 Interim Payment. *(Note, December 31 is the final deadline with penalty; late penalties are applied to Harmonized Forms submitted after September 30.)*

If you have any questions regarding Interim Benefits please contact AgriStability at 1-877-343-2767 and ask to speak to your regional Customer Service Representative.

Website: <http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/agristability>

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BC VEGETABLE MARKETING COMMISSION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, April 4, 2013
7:00 P.M. – *Reifel Salon*

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