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To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

Date: February 24, 2017

Subject: Annual Program Fee Increase

Last week, CanadaGAP program participants received notice by mail that the annual program fee charged by CanadaGAP will increase by 5% effective April 1, 2017.

The increase will be reflected the next time the program participant is invoiced by CanadaGAP on the anniversary of enrolment.

Option	Current annual fee	New annual fee – April 1, 2017
A1	\$500	\$525
A2	\$500	\$525
A3 (Group)	\$2500 for the first 25 members \$500 for each additional 25	\$2625 for the first 25 members \$525 for each additional 25
B (Group)	\$2500 for the first 25 members \$500 for each additional 25	\$2625 for the first 25 members \$525 for each additional 25
С	\$250	\$263
D	\$750	\$788

CanadaGAP certification first became available in 2008. The annual program fees have remained the same from 2008 to 2016.

"At this time, the Board has determined that an increase to the annual program fees will help to ensure that the organization has adequate reserves and is well positioned for future challenges and opportunities," explained Jack Bates, Chair of the Board of Directors for CanAgPlus, the corporation that owns and operates the CanadaGAP program.

Since the launch of the program nine years ago, CanadaGAP has maintained a strong commitment to keeping fees stable and affordable for companies seeking certification.

Please contact the CanadaGAP office if you have any questions.

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