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TO: All Growers, Handlers and Interested Parties
SUBJECT: Beginning of Year Reports and Online Certificate Instructions, and Other

To All: You are reminded that the New Base drawing will be held on Friday, August 16, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. at the Committee office. Application forms can be printed from our website at www.farwestspearmint.org or obtained from our office.

Our next Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Nampa Civic Center, Nampa, ID. A golf tournament and industry dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 8 starting at 1:00 pm (MT) at Timberstone Golf Course, Caldwell, ID.

Enclosed, for your information, are the final Far West 2023-24 Disposition, Sales and Production reports, 2024-25 Beginning Disposition, and the Estimated 2024 Acreage report with comparison to the past five years. All of these reports can be found on the Stats Page of the Far West Spearmint Oil Website (www.farwestspearmint.org).

Attention Growers: Enclosed you will find the following

- Online Certificate Instructions
- 2023-24 Disposition Report with Sold and Unsold Barrels
- 2024-25 Front Page Disposition Report (Unsold Barrels are included with your 2023-24 Disposition Report).

Please review these reports to make sure the information is correct. If there is a discrepancy between our numbers and yours, please let us know so we can make the necessary changes.

Attention Handlers: Enclosed is a summary of procedures for the storage and purchase of spearmint oil produced in the Far West. This is a reminder of procedures that most of you have been following for some time. Please review them and call us with any questions you may have. These procedures and time lines are as delineated in the Marketing Order, a full text of which can be found at www.farwestspearmint.org and going to "Marketing Order" tab.

The following are a few items for your reference:

- **2024-2025 Assessment Rate is \$0.14 per pound** of spearmint oil purchased. This assessment is paid on behalf of the grower **and is due to the Committee when ownership of the oil takes place, not when the grower is paid.**

When you as a handler take ownership of the oil, you should

- 1) sign off the amount on the grower online certificate,
- 2) submit a list of the drums purchased to the Committee office, and
- 3) process payment for the \$0.14 per pound assessment. This assessment is *due to the Committee 30 days* following signing off of the grower's certificate.

- The Far West Spearmint Marketing Order covers **ALL SPEARMINT OIL VARIETIES** produced within the Marketing Order boundaries.

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- **Allotment is required when purchasing re-distilled oil.** The process of purchasing this oil is the same as outlined in the Procedures for Storage and Purchase of Spearmint Oil document that is provided in this packet.
- **Transferring Oil Out of Storage.** When transferring oil for your storage back to the grower, or to another handler's facility, please send a transfer report to the Committee office. It is important that the Committee knows where each grower's oil is stored at any given time to ensure accurate records.

Please call the office with any questions you may have on any of these items.

Best regards,

Shane Johnson
Manager

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