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**TO:**  
**TABLE GRAPE PRODUCERS & EXPORTERS**

**RE:**  
**FBO & SPECIAL MARKET REGISTRATIONS FOR 2008/09 SEASON**

Dear Producer / Exporter

The Department of Agriculture (DoA) recently announced details with regards to the registration processes for Food Business Operators (FBO's) as well as for special markets ('steri' markets).

**1) FBO Registration / verification process**

All FBO code holders will have to have their information verified by the DoA by **30 September 2008**. Failure to do so will result in the relevant FBO(s) being deleted from the database, resulting in exports being prohibited. *No extensions will be made to the cut-off date.*

This verification process will from now on become an annual procedure in order for the DoA to ensure that they have the latest accurate information on all the FBO's registered for the handling of export perishable goods. Verification must be done on the normal FBO registration document (attached). Please follow the directives on the form for completion. Also please refer to the press release that is attached.

**2) Special market registrations**

The DoA have set the following closing dates for special market registrations:

Israel: 8 August 2008  
USA (Organic): 8 August 2008  
China: 8 August 2008

Please take note of the following points:

- (i) *There will be no extensions made to the cut-off date;*
- (ii) *New registrations for China will be accepted for 2008/09;*
- (iii) *Applications may not be faxed to the DoA. Only original documents received by DoA will be processed;*
- (iv) *Proof of payment (R400 per FBO registered) must accompany the couriered documents. Documents will not be processed if proof of payment is not available / confirmed;*

- (v) Use guideline documents supplied by the DoA to correctly fill out the appropriate fields for the different markets;
- (vi) Once the DoA website has been updated with the application forms and detail for 2008/09 it can be viewed at [www.nda.agric.za](http://www.nda.agric.za) / Regulatory and other services / National Plant Protection Organisation / Plant health / Import/Export Programmes / Deciduous Registration / Deciduous fruit export to the special market 2008.

Alternatively, visit the SATI website to access the documents:

If you are unsure about any of the processes please contact the following DoA personnel:

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