UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAMS

MARKETING AGREEMENT, AS FURTHER AMENDED, REGULATING THE HANDLING OF AVOCADOS GROWN IN SOUTH FLORIDA

The parties hereto, in order to effectuate the declared policy of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (Sections 1-19, 48 Stat. 31, as amended; 7 U.S.C. 601-674), and in accordance with the rules of practice and procedure effective thereunder (7 CFR Part 900), desire to enter into this agreement further amending Marketing Agreement No. 143, regulating the handling of avocados grown in South Florida; and each party hereto agrees that such handling of avocados shall be in conformity to, and in compliance with, the terms and conditions of said marketing agreement, as hereby amended. Such terms and conditions are as follows:

(1) The provisions of Sections 915.1 to 915.71, inclusive, of Marketing Order No. 915, as amended (7 CFR Part 915), and as further amended by the order annexed to and made a part of the decision of the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to a proposed marketing agreement, as amended, and order, as amended, regulating the handling of avocados grown in South Florida, plus the additional provisions shall be, and hereby are, the terms and conditions hereof; and the specified provisions are hereby incorporated into this agreement as if set forth in full herein. (2) The additional provisions are as follows:

Section 915.72 Counterparts.

This agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts and when one counterpart is signed by the Secretary, all such counterparts shall constitute, when taken together, one and the same instrument as if all signatures were contained in one original.

Section 915.73 Additional Parties.

After the effective date hereof, any handler who has not previously executed this agreement may become a party to this agreement if a counterpart hereof is executed by such handler and delivered to the Secretary. This agreement shall take effect as to such new contracting party at the time such counterpart is delivered to the Secretary, and the benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred by this agreement shall then be effective as to such new contracting party.

Section 915.74 Order with Marketing Agreement.

Each signatory handler favors and approves the issuance of an order by the Secretary regulating the handling of avocados in the same manner as provided for in this agreement; and each signatory handler hereby requests the Secretary to issue, pursuant to the Act, such an order.

Authorization to correct typographical errors.

The undersigned hereby authorizes the Deputy Administrator or Associate Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, to correct any typographical errors which may have been made in this agreement amending the marketing agreement.

1/ If one of the contracting parties to this agreement is a corporation, my signature constitutes certification that I have the power granted to me by the Board of Directors to bind this corporation to the marketing agreement.

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