

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
 AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

PRODUCER REFERENDUM BALLOT
MARKETING ORDER NO. 987

On proposed amendment of Marketing Order No. 987, as amended, for domestic dates produced or packed in Riverside County, California.

This ballot will be held confidential. Please read the enclosed rules of eligibility and voting instructions **before completing this ballot**. Your ballot envelope **MUST** be received by this office not later than _____ in order to be counted in this referendum.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am, or the producer's name I have inserted in item 4 below is, now an eligible producer of Deglet Noor, Zahidi, Khadraw or Halawy dates, and that during the period October 1, _____, through September 30, _____, produced the following quantity of dates for market:

_____ pounds (Field run)

NOTE: If you are farming on a share crop basis, report only that part of the tonnage representing your share.

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| 1. NAME(S) OF ANY PARTNER(S) | 2. PARTNER(S) MAILING ADDRESS |
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| 3. Do you favor the proposed amendment? | |
| YES | NO |
| 4. PRODUCER'S SIGNATURE <i>(or name, if item 6 is applicable)</i> | 5. MAILING ADDRESS <i>(Street and No., R.F.D. No., City, State, ZIP Code)</i> |

6. If this ballot is cast by an officer or employee of a corporate producer such as a corporation, institution, or school, or by an administrator, executor, or trustee of a producing estate, the following must also be completed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the Secretary of Agriculture that I have authority to cast this ballot for the producer named above in item 4 and that I will submit evidence of such authority at the request of an Agent of the Secretary.

SIGNATURE

TITLE OR CAPACITY

MAILING ADDRESS

FINAL DECISION - DATES

The undersigned hereby authorizes the Director, or Acting Director, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, to correct any typographical errors which may have been made in this marketing agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the contracting parties, acting under the provisions of the act, for the purpose and subject to the limitations therein contained, and not otherwise, have hereto set their respective signatures and seals.

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| _____ | By: _____ <u>1/</u> |
| (Firm Name) | (Signature) |
| _____ | _____ |
| (Mailing Address) | (Title) |
| | _____ |
| | (Date of Execution) |

(Corporate Seal: If none, so state:)

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.

Your signature certifies that you have the authority to take such action and will submit supplementary evidence of such authority at the request of an agent of the Secretary of Agriculture. The information provided in this ballot is required to determine voter eligibility and vote of potato producers. Falsification of information on this government document may result in a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001).

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