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DATE: September 25, 2023
TO: Oregon Caneberry Handlers & Grower Packers
FROM: Darcy Kochis, Oregon Raspberry & Blackberry Commission
RE: 2023 Handler (Packer/Processor) Assessments

ASSESSMENT REPORT FORM - Please use the enclosed form to report your tallied totals of each varieties pounds, cash value and 1% assessment. Use the check boxes to indicate which period you are reporting for and include your company contact information and signature. Additional forms may be printed from www.oregon-berries.com/the-orbc.

The ORBC removed the organic assessment exemption of caneberries through a rule change process in spring of 2022. Organic caneberries should be included in the 2023 crop year assessment, listed separately by variety, and assessed at the same rate of 1%.

All assessment reports and payments for 2023 caneberry crop are due by:

1. **October 15, 2023** for berries purchased or delivered to the first purchaser from November 30, 2022 through August 31, 2023, and
2. **December 15, 2023** for berries purchased or delivered to the first purchaser from September 1, 2023 through November 29, 2023.

A 10% late fee is imposed if **postmarked** later than **October 15, 2023** (Period 1) and/or **December 15, 2023** (Period 2). No grace period is allowed under Oregon statutes.

Summary Form (Page 1) is for the purpose of reporting your firm's grand totals. Please report tallied totals for each variety in pounds, cash value and 1% assessment. Use the check boxes to indicate which period you are reporting for. Company contacts information and a signature are required.

Grower Detail Form (Page 2) is provided for the purpose of reporting detailed grower information. You may use additional sheets as needed. Your company computer detailed printouts are also acceptable, providing they follow the required format and include the complete information for each grower (see below).

- The name and full address and **email** of each grower
- Each type of berry delivered (pack type of each berry is not necessary)
- Total poundage of each berry type, and
- 1% Assessment amount for each berry type.
- Acres of caneberries

If you have any questions concerning reporting assessments, please call the business office at 503-208-5589. We will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Darcy Kochis, Commission Administrator

*The annual average price survey was conducted but accurate and sufficient data was not able to be provided at this time.