



**Notice to Provincial Member Organizations
Hog Farm Transition Program
December 2, 2009**

In response to numerous questions regarding the total dollar value allocated for the second tender in the Hog Farm Transition Program (HFTP), the management committee would like to inform the provincial members of the Canadian Pork Council of two important considerations.

First, the amount available for program payments from the second tender, scheduled for December 9, 2009, will be \$24 million. That is 2.4 times the \$10 million allocated to the first tender. Secondly, however, producers should also know that competition for funds in the second tender is expected to be similar to that in the first tender. The number of eligible producers registered to participate in the December 9 tender is already twice the number eligible for the first tender.

A third tender will be held early in 2010 that will begin drawing down the second \$37.5 million. The date and value of this tender will be announced following release of the December 9 results.

The management committee is committed to making the HFTP as transparent as possible while maintaining fair, equitable and expedient access to funds, providing the infrastructure to uphold the intent of an auction and respecting privacy laws.