



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

April 28, 2016

**California Cantaloupe Advisory Board
2016-2017 Assessment Rate
Set at \$0.02 per Standard 40-Pound Carton (or equivalent)**

TO THE CALIFORNIA CANTALOUPE HANDLER ADDRESSED:

The California Department of Food & Agriculture, upon a recommendation by the Cantaloupe Advisory Board (Board), has established an assessment rate of **\$0.02** per standard 40-pound carton, or its equivalent, on all cantaloupes produced for commercial purposes within California during the 2016-2017 marketing season which is the period of May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017. This rate is the same as last season's rate.

The obligation to pay this assessment shall apply to each handler for all California cantaloupes that it markets. Any production entity that is also a handler and handles its own cantaloupes is required to remit assessment payments on its own behalf. The Board will send assessment payment instructions and remittance forms to each cantaloupe handler.

If you have any questions about the assessment rate or the California Cantaloupe Advisory Board, please call John Gilstrap, Manager of the Board, at (559) 591-5715, or call Dennis Manderfield of the Department's Marketing Branch at (916) 900-5018.

Sincerely,

Robert Maxie, Chief
Marketing Branch

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