



Canadian Pork Council Praises U. S. Trade Ruling

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(Ottawa, ON) – The Canadian Pork Council applauds the U.S. Department of Commerce finding that Canadian hog producers are not unfairly subsidized. This decision means that there is no basis to impose countervailing duties on live swine exports to the United States.

“Today’s decision is not a surprise,” says Clare Schlegel, President of the Canadian Pork Council. “We know that Canadian hog producers are not unfairly subsidized. This decision proves that the allegations against Canada were unjustified.”

“This decision is good for both Canada and the United States,” continues Mr. Schlegel. “We operate in an open and fair trading environment, which has allowed the entire North American industry to benefit and become a world leader at home and in export markets.”

The industry compliments the federal and provincial governments on their substantial efforts in responding to the Department of Commerce over the course of this investigation. Canadian industry and governments are working together in actively representing the interests of Canadian hog farmers.

The industry fully expects the Commerce Department to re-affirm this preliminary ruling when it issues its final decision.

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