



## Edouard Asnong Renamed Canadian Pork Council President

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(Ottawa, ON) – With the Canadian Pork Council (CPC), as the song goes, “Everything old is new again.” At the recent CPC Board meeting in Saskatchewan, current President Edouard Asnong was re-elected.

Mr. Asnong, a representative of the Fédération des producteurs de porcs du Québec (FPPQ), is joined by a newly elected Executive, consisting of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Fred Olthuis (Alberta Pork), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Clare Schlegel (Ontario Pork), Stanley Boudreau (Pork NS), Bill Vaags (Manitoba Pork), and Leon Lueke (Sask Pork).

During the July meeting in Cypress Hills, CPC also announced a recent addition to its member list. As of July 1, BC Pork has joined the Pork Council. BC Pork’s representative on the CPC Board is Jerry Gelderman.

CPC President Edouard Asnong feels very positively about the Cypress Hills gathering. “The meeting gave us all an opportunity to come together, from across the country, and discuss our own particular vantage points as producers,” he says.

During the two-day session, the CPC Board discussed key issues such as animal welfare, the environment, food safety, farm income risk management, animal health nutrition, and international trade. As well, the recent announcement by the federal government to provide a mechanism to recognize on-farm food safety programs, Canada’s current leadership in herd health, and initiatives to improve trade potential were highlighted.

Asnong says, “The meetings provided us with a chance to sit down and discuss, in a forward-thinking, constructive way, how to effectively deal with some of the key issues we are facing in the industry,” adding, “The beautiful, rolling hills of Cypress Hills, Saskatchewan, provided the perfect venue for this type of discussion.”

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