
Regulations and other acts

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An Act respecting farm income stabilization insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-31)

Piglet Producers

— **Scheme**

— **Amendments**

Feeder Hog Producers

— **Scheme**

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Regulation to amend the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Piglet Producers and the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers

WHEREAS under sections 2, 5, 6 and 6.1 of the Act respecting farm income stabilization insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-31), the Government made the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Piglet Producers by Order in Council 845-92 dated 10 June 1992 and the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers by Order in Council 839-93 dated 16 June 1993;

WHEREAS a survey on production costs was made in 1994 on forty-three specialized operations of the farrow-to-finish type and the results have shown increased technical and economic efficiency for those enterprises which should appear in the production cost model of those Schemes in order to ensure the optimum utilization of agricultural resources within the meaning of section 4 of the Act;

WHEREAS that type of enterprise currently represents the major production structure of the hog sector with 44 % of the enterprises accounting for 70 % of the production;

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish the production cost model for those Schemes on the basis of the results of the survey, starting with the 1996-1997 insurance year;

WHEREAS the introduction of this new farrow-to-finish production cost model will bring a reduction of State intervention in hog production and it is expedient, in

order not to destabilize the sector, to provide for a transition allowance for the first year of application of the new model;

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide specific eligibility conditions in the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers for producers who require insurance coverage for their breeder hogs;

WHEREAS since the end in 1994 of the National Tripartite Price Stabilization Scheme for Hogs, it is expedient from now on to establish the insurable volume of commercial hogs on the basis of the data transmitted by electronic auction without taking the classification indexes into account;

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish the insurable volume of breeder hogs on the basis of the data obtained from the genetic evaluation program in which the producer will have to be enrolled;

WHEREAS under section 6 of the Act, a scheme shall provide for an assessment to be paid by a producer and it is expedient to amend the assessments provided for in those Schemes;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation attached to this Order in Council;

WHEREAS a regulation made by the Government under the Act comes into force on the day of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date fixed therein;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Piglet Producers and the Insurance Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for piglet producers and the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for feeder hog producers

An Act respecting farm income stabilization insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-31, ss. 2, 3, 5, 6 and 6.1)

Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for piglet producers

1. The Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Piglet Producers made by Order in Council 845-92 dated 10 June 1992, amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 41-93 dated 20 January 1993, 867-94 dated 15 June 1994, 666-95 dated 17 May 1995, 792-95 dated 14 June 1995, and 1158-95 dated 30 August 1995, is further amended by substituting the words “in section 5” for the words “in the fourth paragraph of section 9” in the first paragraph of section 14.

2. Section 15 is amended by substituting the following for the first paragraph:

“**15.** Subject to section 14.1, the annual production volume of piglets is obtained by multiplying the number of insurable sows, determined under section 14, by 17.7 piglets per insurable sow.”.

3. Section 17 is amended by substituting the following for the second paragraph:

“From the 1996-97 insurance year, the annual amount of the assessment shall be \$45 for each insurable sow.”.

4. The following is substituted for section 25:

“**25.** Starting with the 1996-1997 insurance year, the stabilized net annual income shall be equal to 90 % of the share of the average regular annual salary of a skilled worker allocated to the production of piglets in accordance with section 7 of Schedule 1.”.

5. Section 26 is amended by substituting the words “to quantity and animal weights determined under sections 5 and 6 of Schedule 1” for the words “to animals weights calculated under sections 9 and 10 of Schedule 1”.

6. Section 27 is revoked.

7. The following is substituted for Schedule I:

“SCHEDULE I

PIGLET PRODUCTION AND MARKETING STRUCTURES

DIVISION I DESCRIPTION OF MODEL FARM

1. To determine the net annual income under section 24 of the Scheme, the Régie uses a model farm to assess the economic performance of farms specialized in farrow-to-finish hog production.

The part of this Schedule dealing with indexation under the “piglet” Scheme can be found in the “Breeding division.” The “Feeder division” must be read in cross-reference to the feeder hog production and marketing procedures prescribed in the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers made by Order in Council 839-93 dated 16 June 1993.

2. Producers possess the buildings and equipment required to meet the annual production volume prescribed in Division II.

3. The farm used as a model is assumed to be a year-round, full-time occupation for the producer, and also to require additional part-time manpower, provided either by family members or employees.

4. Work income is determined by the following methods of remuneration:

(1) for producers, the amount equivalent to the stabilized net annual income prescribed under section 25 of the Scheme;

(2) for additional manpower, the annual cost based on the number of hours worked, and the hourly rate prescribed under number 5 of the table in Division VI.

DIVISION II ANNUAL PRODUCTION VOLUME

5. The annual production volume for the model farm is obtained by applying the following productivity standards:

Division	Standard	Parameter
"Breeding" division	Number of sows in production	129.3 sows
	Multiplier to adjust for initial herd and first gestation sows	1.145
	Number of insurable sows	148 sows
	Purchases and transfers of replacement animals	58 gilts, 3 boars
	Number of piglets produced	2 622 piglets
	Productivity of insurable sows	17.7 piglets/ insurable sow
	Weight of piglets produced	18.7 kilograms
"Feeder" division	Number of piglets brought in	2 571 piglets
	Weight of piglets brought in	18.8 kilograms
	Mortality and seizure rate	3.3 %
	Number of hogs sold to market	2 486 hogs
	Slaughter weight of hogs sold to market	82.3 kilograms/hog
	Annual production volume	204 598 kilograms (slaughter weight)
	Turnover rate (sales/inventory)	2.8

6. The following production volumes are used to calculate the annual receipts under the model farm:

(1) for piglets, the production volume is set at 2 622 piglets of all categories as per the following productivity standards:

(a) the average number of inventoried sows in production, that is, 129.3 insurable sows;

(b) the adjustment of the average number of inventoried sows in accordance with the standards and parameters prescribed in section 5, that is, a multiplier of 1.145;

(c) the average number of piglets per sow, that is, 17.7 piglets per sow;

(2) for culled animals, the following sales:

(a) 50 culled sows or gilts;

(b) 3 boars;

Weights and selling prices are set annually by the Régie based on a statistical study of piglet sales;

(3) for feeder hogs, the annual production volume is set at 204 598 kilograms.

DIVISION III ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING THE STABILIZED NET ANNUAL INCOME

7. The stabilized net annual income prescribed in section 25 of the Scheme is adjusted annually based on an average regular annual salary set at \$34 243.89 for the insurance year ending on 31 March 1995. This salary corresponds to 2 611 hours of work, on an annual basis, that is, the equivalence set for an operator on the model farm.

This salary was based on an amount of \$9 700 set in 1974 and on the index for the average weekly remuneration in all Québec industries according to Statistics Canada.

Breaking the average regular annual salary down for hours worked and shares of the average regular annual salary in each of the "breeding" and "feeder" divisions provides the following figures:

	Hours worked by the operator	Shares of the average regular annual salary
"Breeding" division:	1 693	\$22 204.10
"Feeder" division:	974	\$12 774.24

DIVISION IV ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING ANNUAL RECEIPTS

8. The following sources are used to calculate annual receipts:

(1) Breeding division:

(a) income from the sale of piglets of all categories as per the production volume prescribed in paragraph 1 of section 6;

(b) income from the sale of culled animals as prescribed in paragraph 2 of section 6;

(2) Feeder division:

(a) income from the sale of feeder hogs as per the production volume prescribed in paragraph 3 of section 6, multiplied by the selling price, set as provided for in section 26 of the Scheme;

(3) grants, compensation and credits prescribed in section 29 of the Scheme, that governments or bodies allocate for a piglet and feeder hog production volume equal to that obtained by using the model farm in Division II.

Selling prices considered are set as provided for in section 26 of the Scheme.

DIVISION V PROVISIONS FOR THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND DEPRECIATION

9. The cash disbursements and depreciation set out in Division VI represent amounts determined by the Régie using indexes determined for April 1994 to March 1995.

The amounts shown in the table in Division VI are adjusted for each insurance year as per the annual adjustment standards indicated in the same table.

If an official statistical index is used, the adjustment rate is obtained by comparing the index for the previous year with that of the current year on the same dates, unless different procedures are prescribed in Division VI.

DIVISION VI ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND DEPRECIATION

10. The items used to calculate cash disbursements and depreciation, as well as the amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995, are listed in the table of description of items.

The items in the following table are adjusted annually using a statistical study of the Régie or, failing that, the index prescribed for each item.

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
A. Variable costs			
1. Breeders:		\$4 270.08	1.
a) Purchase of replacement animals	\$8 707.65		a) Purchase price index as per a statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production, or cost price index of registered hybrid gilts and pure-bred boars as per the Société des éleveurs de porcs du Québec;
b) Transfer of replacement animals	\$4 192.32		b) Feeder division operating cost index: Operating cost = Variable costs + fixed costs + depreciation;
c) Sales income from culled animals	\$8 629.89		c) Compound index for sale prices and weights as per a statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production, or price index as per the Livestock Market Review, Agriculture and Agrifood Canada.
2. Purchase and transfer of piglets Number: 2 571 piglets		\$122 481.86	2. Statistical study of the Régie on the average price that prevailed in Québec in accordance with the standards and parameters prescribed in section 5.
3. Feed purchases			3. Index or nominal costs variation as per a statistical study of major feed suppliers, or weekly prices of the "15-16 % growth feed for hog" as per the Livestock Feed Board of Canada.
a) For sows and boars Quantity: 62.8 metric tonnes	\$38 017.09		

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
b) For piglets Quantity: 172.6 metric tonnes	\$21 539.44		
c) For feeder hogs Quantity: 650.7 metric tonnes		\$144 413.47	
4. Marketing costs	\$595.35	\$6 958.63	4.
a) Shipping of culled animals Breeding division Cost: \$176.59			a) Statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production or the "Montréal private shipping" CPI index, Statistics Canada;
b) Shipping of piglets and market hogs Feeder division Cost: \$4 739.06			b) Index of regular shipping costs taken directly from the electronic auction, Fédération des producteurs de porcs du Québec (FPPQ);
c) Breeding division joint plan Cost: \$379.48			c) costs index from the FPPQ;
d) Feeder division joint plan Cost: \$2 219.57			d) costs index from the FPPQ;
e) Auction fees Breeding division Cost: \$39.28			e) Statistical study of specialized farms or costs index as per a statistical study with the main Québec animal auctions.
5. Additional workers	\$11 145.88	\$6 414.64	5. Québec farm input price index (FIPI) for "Hourly rate agricultural worker", Statistics Canada.
6. Cost of drugs, veterinary services, sanitation products, insemination services, bedding	\$9 448.50	\$3 116.23	6. Drug price index as per the Centre de distribution des médicaments vétérinaires, MAPAQ.
7. Electricity	\$4 302.21	\$2 126.73	7. Québec FIPI "electricity" index, Statistics Canada.
8. Heating	\$1 462.44	\$1 577.97	8. Costs index as per a statistical study of major propane gas suppliers.
9. Fuel and lubricants	\$1 184.48	\$910.35	9. Québec FIPI "petroleum products" index, Statistics Canada.
10. Disposal of manure	\$685.23	\$1 423.18	10. Québec FIPI "agricultural machinery and automobile operation" index, Statistics Canada.
11. Interest on short-term loans	\$1 440.67	\$2 658.26	11. Canadian Economic Observer prime rate index, Statistics Canada.
Total variable costs	\$94 091.37	\$292 081.32	

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
B. Fixed costs			
12. Maintenance and repairs	\$5 569.89	\$5 505.85	12. Québec FIPI "building repair" index, Statistics Canada.
13. Insurance (including taxes)	\$2 132.77	\$2 435.10	13.
a) Buildings, stationary equipment and machinery Breeding division: \$1 199.95 Feeder division: \$1 413.34			a) Compound index from Québec FIPI "Building replacement index", Statistics Canada and insurance rates variation as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture;
b) Income insurance, life insurance and farm products insurance Breeding division: \$518.80 Feeder division: \$331.76			b) Producer pay index, as per section 7 of Division III;
c) Liability insurance Breeding division: \$168.20 Feeder division: \$88.18			c) Liability insurance cost variation index as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture;
d) Animal insurance Breeding division: \$245.82 Feeder division: \$601.82			d) Compound index of insurable values variation and insurance rates as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture.
			Taxes on insurance are based on current rates, ministère du Revenu, Québec.
14. Property taxes	\$258.80	\$340.67	14. Compound index of municipal assessments variation and municipal tax rates, Services des subventions, MAPAQ. The amount shown in the annual disbursements account is the net amount after deduction of government property tax reimbursements.
15. Interest on medium and long-term loans	\$4 841.05	\$4 212.72	15. Compound index of the variation on interest rates on long-term loans, in force in major lending institutions, in accordance with the following proportions:
			a) Société de financement agricole: 54 %
			b) Financial institutions: 26 %
			c) Société du crédit agricole du Canada: 20 %
16. Miscellaneous expenses			16.
a) Telephone	\$300.50	\$189.11	a) Cost variation index, Bell Canada;

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
b) Administration	\$1 669.87	\$875.38	b) fees payable according to the accounting service of the Union des producteurs agricoles du Québec;
c) UPA dues	\$175.82	\$92.17	c) Union des producteurs agricoles du Québec (UPA);
d) Office supplies, sales-related expenses	\$265.83	\$139.36	d) Canada IPI "stationery and office supplies" index, Statistics Canada;
e) Contracts, rentals, permits	\$316.95	\$216.35	e) Québec FIPI "machine and automobile operation" index, Statistics Canada.
Total fixed costs	\$15 531.48	\$14 006.71	
C. Depreciation	\$9 908.05	\$10 117.77	Starting with the 1996-97 insurance year and for all subsequent years, the amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995 will remain in force with no further adjustment.
Total cash disbursements and depreciation	\$119 530.90	\$316 205.80	
D. Transition allowance			This allowance for 1996-97 insurance year is a non-adjustable, fixed amount that is added to the total amount of cash disbursements and depreciation at the time of indexation.
— 1996-97 insurance year	\$4 300.88	\$23 716.44	

Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for feeder hog producers

8. The Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Feeder Hog Producers made by Order in Council 839-93 dated 16 June 1993, amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 867-94 dated 15 June 1994, 666-95 dated 17 May 1995, 792-95 dated 14 June 1995, 967-95 dated 19 July 1995, and 1158-95 dated 30 August 1995, is further amended in section 1 by substituting the following for the definition of "insurable hog":

"insurable hog" means any hog weighing at least 13.6 kilograms, kept on the farm to be fattened and sold as a slaughter hog or for breeding."

9. The Scheme is amended by inserting the following after Division 1:

"DIVISION 1.1 SCOPE

1.1 Are insurable under this Scheme:

(1) slaughter hogs marketed under the supervision and direction of the Fédération des producteurs de porcs du Québec in accordance with the Joint plan for Québec hog producers;

(2) when required by the producer, breeder hogs in accordance with the conditions of eligibility prescribed in Division II."

10. Section 2 is amended:

(1) by adding the words "or breeder hogs" at the end of paragraph 7;

(2) by inserting the following after paragraph 10:

"(10.1) to insure breeder hogs:

(a) the production must include at least 30 % of pure-bred sows registered with the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation and used to raise pure-bred hogs or hybrid sows;

(b) the producer shall be enrolled in the Genetic evaluation program for breeder hogs and promotion of all-female hybrid of the Centre de développement du porc du Québec inc. or in any other genetic evaluation program certified by the Régie, for his entire enrolment period in the Scheme.”.

11. The following is substituted for section 13.1:

“**13.1** Slaughter hogs are insurable provided that they are marketed under the supervision and direction of the Fédération des producteurs de porcs du Québec in accordance with the Joint plan for Québec hog producers.”.

12. Section 14 is amended:

(1) by substituting the following for subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph:

“(2) or, for breeder hogs, by requiring that the producer declare in writing the number of hogs sold for breeding during the course of the insurance year as well as the number of uncastrated males sold for slaughter.

The number of declared hogs cannot exceed the number of certified or eligible sows and the number of hogs tested under the record of performance program in which the producer is enrolled;”;

(2) by deleting the second, third and fourth paragraphs.

13. The following is inserted after section 14:

“**14.1** A producer who does not produce the declaration prescribed in paragraph 2 of section 14 shall lose his right to any compensation for breeder hogs.”.

14. Section 15 is revoked.

15. Section 16 is amended by substituting the figure “5” for the figure “8”.

16. Section 17 is amended:

(1) by substituting the following for the second paragraph:

“From the 1996-1997 insurance year, the annual amount of the assessment shall be \$8.02 for each insurable hog.”;

(2) by deleting the third paragraph.

17. The following is substituted for section 25:

“**25.** Starting with the 1996-1997 insurance year, the stabilized net annual income shall be equal to 70 % of the share of the average regular annual income of a skilled worker allocated to the production of feeder hogs in accordance with section 7 of Schedule 1.”.

18. Section 27 is deleted.

19. The Schedule attached hereunder is substituted for Schedule I.

20. This Regulation comes into force on 1 July 1996.

SCHEDULE I

FEEDER HOG PRODUCTION AND MARKETING STRUCTURES

DIVISION I

DESCRIPTION OF MODEL FARM

1. To determine the net annual income under section 24 of the Scheme, the Régie uses a model farm to assess the economic performance of farms specialized in farrow-to-finish hog production.

The part of this Schedule dealing with indexation under the “feeder hog” Scheme can be found in the “Feeder division.” The “Breeding division” must be read in cross-reference to the breeding production and marketing procedures prescribed in the Income Stabilization Insurance Scheme for Piglet Producers made by Order in Council 845-92 dated 10 June 1992.

2. Producers possess the buildings and equipment required to meet the annual production volume prescribed in Division II.

3. The farm used as a model is assumed to be a year-round, full-time occupation for the producer, and also to require additional part-time manpower, provided either by family members or employees.

4. Work income is determined by the following methods of remuneration:

(1) for producers, the amount equivalent to the stabilized net annual income prescribed under section 25 of the Scheme;

(2) for additional manpower, the annual cost based on the number of hours worked, and the hourly rate prescribed under number 5 of the table in Division VI.

DIVISION II ANNUAL PRODUCTION VOLUME

5. The annual production volume for the model farm is obtained by applying the following productivity standards:

Division	Standard	Parameter
"Breeding" division	Number of sows in production	129.3 sows
	Multiplier to adjust for initial herd and first gestation sows	1.145
	Number of insurable sows	148 sows
	Purchases and transfers of replacement animals	58 gilts, 3 boars
	Number of piglets produced	2 622 piglets
	Productivity of insurable sows	17.7 piglets/ insurable sow
	Weight of piglets produce	18.7 kilograms
"Feeder" division	Number of piglets brought in	2 571 piglets
	Weight of piglets brought in	18.8 kilograms
	Mortality and seizure rate	3.3 %
	Number of hogs sold to market	2 486 hogs
	Slaughter weight of hogs sold to market	82.3 kilograms/hog
	Annual production volume	204 598 kilograms (slaughter weight)
	Turnover rate (sales/inventory)	2.8

6. The following production volumes are used to calculate the annual receipts under the model farm:

(1) for piglets, the production volume is set at 2 622 piglets of all categories as per the following productivity standards:

(a) the average number of inventoried sows in production, that is, 129.3 insurable sows;

(b) the adjustment of the average number of inventoried sows in accordance with the standards and parameters prescribed in section 5, that is, a multiplier of 1.145;

(c) the average number of piglets per sow, that is, 17.7 piglets per sow;

(2) for culled animals, the following sales:

(a) 50 culled sows or gilts;

(b) 3 boars;

Weights and selling prices are set annually by the Régie based on a statistical study of piglet sales.

(3) for feeder hogs, the annual production volume is set at 204 598 kilograms.

DIVISION III ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING THE STABILIZED NET ANNUAL INCOME

7. The stabilized net annual income prescribed in section 25 of the Scheme is adjusted annually based on an average regular annual salary set at \$34 243.89 for the insurance year ending on 31 March 1995. This salary corresponds to 2 611 hours of work, on an annual basis, that is, the equivalence set for an operator on the model farm.

This salary was based on an amount of \$9 700 set in 1974 and on the index for the average weekly remuneration in all Québec industries according to Statistics Canada.

Breaking the average regular annual salary down for hours worked and shares of the average regular annual salary in each of the "breeding" and "feeder" divisions provides the following figures:

	Hours worked by the operator	Shares of the average regular annual salary
"Breeding" division:	1 693 \$	22 204.10
"Feeder" division:	974 \$	12 774.24

DIVISION IV ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING ANNUAL RECEIPTS

8. The following sources are used to calculate annual receipts:

(1) Breeding division:

(a) income from the sale of piglets of all categories as per the production volume prescribed in paragraph 1 of section 6;

(b) income from the sale of culled animals as prescribed in paragraph 2 of section 6;

(2) Feeder division:

(a) income from the sale of feeder hogs as per the production volume prescribed in paragraph 3 of section 6, multiplied by the selling price, set as provided for in section 26 of the Scheme;

(3) grants, compensation and credits prescribed in section 29 of the Scheme, that governments or bodies allocate for a piglet and feeder hog production volume equal to that obtained by using the model farm in Division II.

Selling prices considered are set as provided for in section 26 of the Scheme.

**DIVISION V
PROVISIONS FOR THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT
OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND
DEPRECIATION**

9. The cash disbursements and depreciation set out in Division VI represent amounts determined by the Régie using indexes determined for April 1994 to March 1995.

The amounts shown in the table in Division VI are adjusted for each insurance year as per the annual adjustment standards indicated in the same table.

If an official statistical index is used, the adjustment rate is obtained by comparing the index for the previous year with that of the current year on the same dates, unless different procedures are prescribed in Division VI.

**DIVISION VI
ITEMS CONSIDERED IN COMPUTING CASH
DISBURSEMENTS AND DEPRECIATION**

10. The items used to calculate cash disbursements and depreciation, as well as the amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995, are listed in the table of description of items.

The items in the following table are adjusted annually using a statistical study of the Régie or, failing that, the index prescribed for each item.

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
A. Variable costs			
1. Breeders:		\$4 270.08	1.
a) purchase of replacement animals	\$8 707.65		a) Purchase price index as per a statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production, or cost price index of registered hybrid gilts and pure-bred boars as per the Société des éleveurs de porcs du Québec;
b) Transfer of replacement animals	\$4 192.32		b) Feeder division operating cost index: Operating cost = Variable costs + fixed costs + depreciation;
c) Sales income from culled animals	\$8 629.89		c) Compound index for sale prices and weights as per a statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production, or price index as per the Livestock Market Review, Agriculture and Agrifood Canada.
2. Purchase and transfer of piglets Number: 2 571 piglets		\$122 481.86	2. Statistical study of the Régie on the average price that prevailed in Québec in accordance with the standards and parameters prescribed in section 5.

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
3. Feed purchases			3. Index or nominal costs variation as per a statistical study of major feed suppliers, or weekly prices of the "15-16 % growth feed for hog" as per the Livestock Feed Board of Canada.
a) For sows and boars Quantity: 62.8 metric tonnes	\$38 017.09		
b) For piglets Quantity: 172.6 metric tonnes	\$21 539.44		
c) For feeder hogs Quantity: 650.7 metric tonnes		\$144 413.47	
4. Marketing costs	\$595.35	\$6 958.63	4.
a) Shipping of culled animals Breeding division Cost: \$176.59			a) Statistical study based on farms specialized in piglet production or the "Montréal private shipping" CPI index, Statistics Canada;
b) Shipping of piglets and market hogs Feeder division Cost: \$4 739.06			b) Index of regular shipping costs taken directly from the electronic auction, Fédération des producteurs de porcs du Québec (FPPQ);
c) Breeding division joint plan Cost: \$379.48			c) costs index from the FPPQ;
d) Feeder division joint plan Cost: \$2 219.57			d) costs index from the FPPQ;
e) Auction fees Breeding division Cost: \$39.28			e) Statistical study of specialized farms or costs index as per a statistical study with the main Québec animal auctions.
5. Additional workers	\$11 145.88	\$6 414.64	5. Québec farm input price index (FIPI) for "Hourly rate agricultural worker", Statistics Canada.
6. Cost of drugs, veterinary services, sanitation products, insemination services, bedding	\$9 448.50	\$3 116.23	6. Drug price index as per the Centre de distribution des médicaments vétérinaires, MAPAQ.
7. Electricity	\$4 302.21	\$2 126.73	7. Québec FIPI "electricity" index, Statistics Canada.
8. Heating	\$1 462.44	\$1 577.97	8. Costs index as per a statistical study of major propane gas suppliers.
9. Fuel and lubricants	\$1 184.48	\$910.35	9. Québec FIPI "petroleum products" index, Statistics Canada.
10. Disposal of manure	\$685.23	\$1 423.18	10. Québec FIPI "agricultural machinery and automobile operation" index, Statistics Canada.
11. Interest on short-term loans	\$1 440.67	\$2 658.26	11. Canadian Economic Observer prime rate index, Statistics Canada.
Total variable costs	\$94 091.37	\$292 081.32	

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B. Fixed costs			
12. Maintenance and repairs	\$5 569.89	\$5 505.85	12. Québec FIPI "building repair" index, Statistics Canada.
13. Insurance (including taxes)	\$2 132.77	\$2 435.10	13.
<i>a)</i> Buildings, stationary equipment and machinery Breeding division: \$1 199.95 Feeder division: \$1 413.34			<i>a)</i> Compound index from Québec FIPI "Building replacement index", Statistics Canada and insurance rates variation as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture;
<i>b)</i> Income insurance, life insurance and farm products insurance Breeding division: \$518.80 Feeder division: \$331.76			<i>b)</i> Producer pay index, as per section 7 of Division III;
<i>c)</i> Liability insurance Breeding division: \$168.20 Feeder division: \$88.18			<i>c)</i> Liability insurance cost variation index as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture;
<i>d)</i> Animal insurance Breeding division: \$245.82 Feeder division: \$601.82			<i>d)</i> Compound index of insurable values variation and insurance rates as per the "general insurance leaflet" of the Handbook of economic references for Québec agriculture.
			Taxes on insurance are based on current rates, ministère du Revenu, Québec.
14. Property taxes	\$258.80	\$340.67	14. Compound index of municipal assessments variation and municipal tax rates, Services des subventions, MAPAQ.
			The amount shown in the annual disbursements account is the net amount after deduction of government property tax reimbursements.
15. Interest on medium and long-term loans	\$4 841.05	\$4 212.72	15. Compound index of the variation on interest rates on long-term loans, in force in major lending institutions, in accordance with the following proportions:
			<i>a)</i> Société de financement agricole: 54 %
			<i>b)</i> Financial institutions: 26 %
			<i>c)</i> Société du crédit agricole du Canada: 20 %

Description of items	Amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995		Annual adjustment standards as per division v
	Breeding division	Feeder division	
16. Miscellaneous expenses			16.
a) Telephone	\$300.50	\$189.11	a) Cost variation index, Bell Canada;
b) Administration	\$1 669.87	\$875.38	b) fees payable according to the accounting service of the Union des producteurs agricoles du Québec;
c) UPA dues	\$175.82	\$92.17	c) Union des producteurs agricoles du Québec (UPA);
d) Office supplies, sales-related expenses	\$265.83	\$139.36	d) Canada IPI "stationery and office supplies" index, Statistics Canada;
e) Contracts, rentals, permits	\$316.95	\$216.35	e) Québec FIPI "machine and automobile operation" index, Statistics Canada.
Total fixed costs	\$15 531.48	\$14 006.71	
C. Depreciation	\$9 908.05	\$10 117.77	Starting with the 1996-97 insurance year and for all subsequent years, the amounts determined for April 1994 to March 1995 will remain in force with no further adjustment.
Total cash disbursements and depreciation	\$119 530.90	\$316 205.80	
D. Transition allowance			This allowance for the 1996-97 insurance year is a non-adjustable, fixed amount that is added to the total amount of cash disbursements and depreciation at the time of indexation.
— 1996-97 insurance year	\$4 300.88	\$23 716.44	

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O.C. 657-96, 5 June 1996Environment Quality Act
(R.S.Q., c. Q-2)**Pits and quarries
— Amendments**

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting pits and quarries

WHEREAS under paragraph *n* of section 31 of the Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., c. Q-2), the Government may make regulations respecting exigible security;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) and with section

124 of the Environment Quality Act, a draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting pits and quarries was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 31 January 1996, with a notice that it could be made by the Government upon the expiry of 60 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of the Environment and Wildlife:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting pits and quarries, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif