

November 8, 2024

Market Enforcement Advisory Committee Nominations Sought

Must be Postmarked No Later Than January 15, 2025

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture, Market Enforcement Branch (Branch) is seeking nominations to fill positions on the Market Enforcement Advisory Committee (MEAC) pursuant CA Food and Agricultural Code, Chapter 7.2, Section § 56702. The committee shall advise the Secretary and make recommendations on, among other things, all matters pertaining to the Market Enforcement Branch licensing programs, including setting the appropriate fees for those programs.

The mission of the Branch is to objectively enforce laws enacted to ensure confidence and stability in the agricultural marketplace and to protect against unfair business practices between producers, handlers, and processors of California farm products. The Branch accomplishes this through licensing activities, outreach, administrative actions, and criminal and civil prosecutions. The MEAC shall consist of up to 12 voting members, which shall include a balanced representation of growers, processors, and produce dealers, or representatives from organizations that advocate on behalf of these industry groups.

We are currently seeking to fill all 12 positions. You can nominate yourself or someone else by completing a nomination form and emailing it to <u>mktenforce@cdfa.ca.gov</u>, or mailing to CDFA, Market Enforcement Branch, Attn: MEAC, 1220 N Street, Sacramento, California 95814. Nomination form **must be received/postmarked no later than January 15, 2025.**

Thank you for your interest. For more information and forms, please call 916.900.5016 or visit <u>www.cdfa.ca.gov/mkt/meb/meac</u>.

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