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DATE: July 29, 2020
TO: Oregon Strawberry Packers
FROM: Oregon Strawberry Commission
RE: **2020 Packer / Processor Assessment Report**

The Oregon Strawberry Commission average grower/packer fresh-market price for **2020** assessments is **\$0.86** per pound. This number is generated as an industry average to be used by the commission for assessment purposes only. The current assessment rate is to be calculated at **1% of the gross value of the raw product**. Fresh market growers will use the estimated average price above to calculate this assessment.

Assessments are due on September 15, **2020**. Reports may be submitted by email, fax or by mail. Any assessment received (or postmarked) after September 15, **2020** will be charged the 10% late fee plus 1.5% interest fee per month thereafter. Please complete and submit the enclosed form (additional report forms may also be found on our website at www.oregon-strawberries.org).

Organic Exemption: An organic producer will be exempt from assessment if the producer presents the following information to the commission by September 15th of each year:

- (a) Either:
 - (i) A current certificate from a certifying agent under the Organic Foods Production Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6501- 6522 and its implementing regulations; **or**
 - (ii) A statement of exemption from certification under the Organic Foods Production Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6501- 6522 and its implementing regulations; **and**
- (b) A production report signed by the producer containing the producer's name, mailing address, species of berries, and pounds and price for each species.

If you have questions regarding the enclosed assessment form, please contact the business office and we will be glad to help. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Julie Hoffman
Oregon Strawberry Commission