COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1627/76

of 5 July 1976

laying down detailed rules for the application of measures for granting production aid for tinned pineapple

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1929/75 of 22 July 1975 establishing a system of production aid for tinned pineapple [1], and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No 1929/75 makes the granting of aid to processors conditional on them paying at least a minimum price to producers and on their furnishing proof as regards the quantity of tinned pineapple produced and the Community origin of the pineapples used ; whereas it is necessary to establish detailed rules which will ensure that these conditions are complied with ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Products Processed from Fruit and Vegetables,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

For the purposes of Regulation (EEC) No 1929/75, a processor means an undertaking operating for commercial purposes and on its own responsibility one or more plants equipped for the production of pineapple based preserves.

Article 2

A supply commitment or contract shall be concluded in writing between the producer of fresh pineapples on the one hand and the processor on the other.

The supply commitment or contract shall, in particular, stipulate the agreed price and the quantity of pineapples of sound and fair marketable quality to be supplied to the processor.

Article 3

1. In order to receive a production aid, the processor shall submit to the competent authority of the Member State in which the production of the tinned pineapple takes place :

(a) a copy of the supply commitment or contract provided for in Article 2 ;

(b) a statement by the producer of the fresh pineapples certifying the payment of an amount at least equal to the minimum price ;

(c) an application for aid.

2. The application for aid shall indicate at least the following :

(a) the applicant's name and address ;

(b) the quantity of tinned pineapple processed from pineapples harvested in the Community.

Article 4

1. The competent authorities of the Member State concerned shall verify :

(a) the quantity of pineapples covered by supply commitments or contracts as provided for in Article 2 and delivered to the applicant's undertaking ;

(b) the quantity of tinned pineapple processed from the products referred to in (a).

2. For the purposes of the verification provided for in paragraph 1, processors shall keep stock accounts which shall show, in particular :

— the quantity of fresh pineapples supplied, indicating those covered by supply commitments or contracts as provided for in Article 2 ;

— the quantity of tinned pineapple produced, indicating separately that processed from pineapples purchased under the abovementioned supply commitments or contracts.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

[1] OJ No L 198, 29. 7. 1975, p. 13.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 5 July 1976.

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