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Canadian Sheep Federation Appoints New Vice-Chair, Approves 2016-17 Budget

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August 22, 2016 – Ottawa, Ontario – The Canadian Sheep Federation (CSF) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the election of Arlette Seib (Saskatchewan) as CSF Vice-Chair. Arlette accepted the Executive Committee appointment during the August Board meeting, following the resignation of Rob Scott, Director from Ontario.

During that same meeting, the CSF Board approved a budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year that will support CSF operations over the next year. Recent decisions by the Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency and Alberta Lamb Producers to leave the national organization and go their own ways had some questioning the future of the CSF. Notwithstanding recent membership changes, remaining CSF members have resolved to find a path forward for the national organization.

Seven provinces including Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland/Labrador, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia will continue to work together to ensure Canada's sheep industry has representation on a national stage. Building consensus on key issues, especially given the diversity of the Canadian sheep industry, is never an easy task. Finding middle ground relies on the willingness of everyone involved to commit to a common solution, something the organization's remaining members are committed to. The CSF has established a Sustainability Committee that will explore long-term options for the organization and will work over the course of the next year to find the best solution for Canada's sheep industry as a whole.

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