

## **Erratum**

*An evaluation of the present situation for Western Canadian grain farmers within a historical context*

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In undertaking more research into freight payments before and after the single-desk it has become apparent this is a very complex issue that would take considerable time to clarify. Therefore I have decided to remove the section of the paper which makes reference to comparisons between freight payments.

I deeply regret that the concerns raised over this section have overshadowed the rest of the paper. This historical overview was intended to provide context to changes that have happened for farmers after the end of the single-desk Canadian Wheat Board and to provide an overview of how single-desk orderly marketing for prairie grain has been used in the past.

The grain handling, transportation, and marketing system is very complex and so changes to any aspect of it should be considered within the total framework of the system. From a historical perspective many of the issues facing prairie farmers today have parallels to problems which have happened in the past. Therefore, solutions to the problems farmers are facing need to take a comprehensive approach within the context of western Canada's agricultural history.