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July 1, 2016

RE: 2016 Lake County Winegrower Harvest Report and Assessment

Dear Lake County Winegrape Grower,

On behalf of the Lake County Winegrape Commission, I am writing to provide you with the 2016 Winegrower Harvest Report form and submission deadlines and to notify you that the Commission's Board of Directors set the assessment rate for the 2016 marketing season at one percent (1%) of the gross dollar value on the sale of District 2 winegrapes, juice, and bulk wine.

By completing the required **Winegrower Harvest Report**, you provide vital information that enables Commission staff to work on your behalf to collect assessments due from vintners/wineries. These assessments fund the Commission's marketing, research, and education programs.

2016 Harvest Reports and Assessment Deadlines

- ❖ **Winegrower Harvest Reports for harvest 2016 winegrapes are due January 10, 2017.**
- ❖ **Assessment Payments* for harvest 2016 winegrapes are due January 10, 2017.**
- ❖ **Reports and assessments for sales of juice/bulk wine are due within 30 days after that sale.**

* Buyers are required to withhold the Commission assessment from amounts paid to you and submit the assessment payments on your behalf to the Commission. While you are required to provide information about your vineyards and sales to the Commission on the Winegrower Harvest Report, you are not required to remit the assessment unless your buyer refuses to do so.

Please note that all information submitted is kept strictly confidential. If you have any questions at all regarding the form, process, or work of the Commission, please feel free to contact me directly by phone at (707) 279-2633, ext. 302, or e-mail to debras@lakecountywinegrape.org.

Sincerely,

Debra Sommerfield, President

Enclosure