



Stakeholder Notice

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THE FRESH PRODUCE MARKET INQUIRY GRANTED EXTENSION UNTIL 15 JANUARY 2025

The Fresh Produce Market Inquiry (FPMI) commenced on 31 March 2023. The FPMI, initiated in terms of section 43B(1)(a), read with section 43A, of the Competition Act 89 of 1999 (the Act), is considering if adverse effects are present in the fresh produce value chain arising from any feature or combination of features that may impede, restrict or distort competition.

The FPMI released its Provisional Report on 18 June 2024 and allowed for public comments until 16 July 2024. A set of provisional recommendations and remedial actions were made and the FPMI has been engaging affected stakeholders since.

To allow for ongoing engagements with key stakeholders and to finalise the drafting of the FPMI's Final Report, the Competition Commission requested the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition to consider extending the duration of the FPMI, in terms of section 43B(4)(b) of the Act.

On 20 September 2024 the Minister gazetted the decision to extend the FPMI accordingly. The notice may be found [here](#).

Further relevant and non-confidential documents regarding the FPMI are available on the FPMI's website at www.compcom.co.za/fresh-produce-market-inquiry/.

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