

Election Notice

Rice Marketing Board

2021 Election of three (3) Board Members

The New South Wales Electoral Commission will conduct an election of three (3) producers' representatives to the Rice Marketing Board for the State of New South Wales. For this election the whole of the State of NSW is the electoral district.

Nominations

Nominations are invited on and from **Thursday 30 September 2021** to elect Three (3) Board Members.

Any person is eligible for nomination as a candidate. Candidates must give written consent to their nomination. Each candidate for election must be nominated by not less than six (6) persons (other than the candidate) each of whom have the prescribed qualifications.

The prescribed qualifications are set out in the Rice Marketing Regulation 2015 made under the *Rice Marketing Act 1983*. You can view the Regulation at www.legislation.nsw.gov.au

Candidate Nomination and Candidate Profile Forms are available from:

- NSW Electoral Commission's website at www.elections.nsw.gov.au;
- Rice Marketing Board, Yanco Avenue, Leeton, telephone (02) 6953 3200.

Lodgement of nominations

Completed Nomination Forms and Candidate Profile Forms must be received by the Returning Officer, NSW Electoral Commission no later than **12.00 noon, Friday 22 October 2021**.

A nomination can only be withdrawn by a written, signed statement received by the Returning Officer prior to the close of nomination. Any anomaly in the Nomination Form must be rectified before this time. Nominations may be lodged:

- by post: PO Box 693 Grosvenor Place NSW 1220; or
- by email: ballots@elections.nsw.gov.au or
- by hand: NSW Electoral Commission, Level 3, 231 Elizabeth Street Sydney

Note: The NSW Electoral Commission's office is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 related public health requirements and NSWEC staff may be working from home. In the circumstances completed nomination forms can only be emailed to: ballots@elections.nsw.gov.au

Ballot paper draw

If the election is contested a draw to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot paper will be conducted at the NSW Electoral Commission, Level 3, 231 Elizabeth Street Sydney at **2.00pm, Friday 22 October 2021**. Candidates or their representatives are invited to witness the draw.

Voting

If an election is necessary, a postal ballot will be conducted to close at **12.00 noon, Tuesday 21 December 2021**. Voting material will be posted on **Tuesday 23 November 2021**.

The method of voting to be observed will be First Past the Post. The method of voting to be observed for this election will be First Past the Post using numbers. Members must place a number in every square.

Any enquiries concerning this election should be directed to Paul Chesher at the NSW Electoral Commission, telephone on 1300 135 736 or email to ballots@elections.nsw.gov.au

Greg Copson

Returning Officer

NSW Electoral Commission