



**Fruits et Légumes Gaétan Bono inc.**  
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**Application – Board of Directors Position / Wholesaler – Importer – Exporter Sector**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am pleased to submit my application for the position of Board Member representing the Wholesaler – Importer – Exporter sector.

With over 17 years of experience at Bono, where I currently serve as International Logistics Coordinator and Director of Food Safety, I have developed a 360-degree perspective of our industry. I have led the implementation of the Canada GAP program, structured our compliance processes, and managed cross-border logistic responsibilities that keep me closely connected to day-to-day operational realities.

I've been participating in AQDFL events for several years now, and I must say the annual golf tournament is always a highlight—not for my swing, but for the quality of conversations with industry colleagues. These events allow me to build real connections with passionate professionals and to better appreciate the important role the Association plays.

My motivation to join the Board stems from a desire to give a strong voice to wholesalers, importers, and exporters, and to contribute to concrete initiatives—whether through sector-specific committees or in promoting best practices. I aim to support the growth of our industry by drawing on my expertise in logistics, compliance, and team management, while working constructively with fellow board members.

I view the role of a board member as one of both representation and strategic engagement. I am ready to fully commit to AQDFL's activities, to support its projects, share my experience, and contribute to its mission of promoting fruit and vegetable distribution in Quebec.

Thank you for considering my application. I remain available for any additional information you may require.

Yours sincerely,

*Francis Carruthers*