

**RCW 15.65.050 Director to enforce and administer chapter—  
Marketing agreements, orders issued, amended, notice, grounds for  
amendments.** The director shall administer and enforce this chapter  
and it shall be his or her duty to carry out its provisions and put  
them into force in accordance with its terms, but issuance, amendment,  
modification, and/or suspension of marketing agreements and orders and  
of any terms or provisions thereof shall be accomplished according to  
the procedures set forth in this chapter and not otherwise. Whenever  
he or she has reason to believe that the issuance or amendment of a  
marketing agreement or order will tend to effectuate any declared  
policy or purpose of this chapter with respect to any agricultural  
commodity, and in the case of application for issuance or amendment  
ten or more producers of such commodity apply or when a petition for  
amendment is submitted by majority vote of a commodity board, then the  
director shall give due notice of, and an opportunity for, a public  
hearing upon such issuance or amendment, and the director shall issue  
marketing agreements and orders containing the provisions specified in  
this chapter and from time to time amend the same whenever upon  
compliance with and on the basis of facts adduced in accordance with  
the procedural requirements of this chapter he or she shall find that  
such agreement, order, or amendment:

(1) Will tend to effectuate one or more of the declared policies  
of this chapter and is needed in order to effectuate the same.

(2) Is reasonably adapted to accomplish the purposes and objects  
for which it is issued and complies with the applicable provisions of  
this chapter.

(3) Has been approved or favored by the percentages of producers  
and/or handlers specified in and ascertained in accordance with this  
chapter. [2002 c 313 § 5; 1961 c 256 § 5.]

**Effective dates—2002 c 313:** See note following RCW 15.65.020.