



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

to

STRENGTHEN EXCHANGES AND COOPERATION

between

Province of Manitoba, Canada ("Manitoba")

and

Anhui Province, People's Republic of China ("Anhui")





Since the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between Manitoba and Anhui in 2001 in Shanghai, the two provinces enjoy a cooperative relationship, which has resulted in a series of collaborative activities.

Manitoba and Anhui agree that with the deepening of the mutual relationship, through further exploring their complementary economic and industrial assets on the strength of their influences in respective countries, and continuously expanding their mutually beneficial cooperation will contribute to the sustainable development of each province and bring benefits to their citizens.

Therefore, through friendly consultations, both consent to:

- 1. Further develop mutual relations; both sides will maintain high level government exchanges.
- 2. Develop an environment that allows for the fruitful communication between Manitoba and Anhui on topics of agriculture, education, science & technology and trade cooperation, so as to enhance mutual trade and investment.
- 3. Promote agricultural collaboration in a broad range of disciplines including production, processing and trade of commodities and foodstuffs and agro-technology to enhance the development of our respective agricultural industries.
- 4. Encourage exchanges and cooperation in education between colleges and universities in the form of cooperative projects between our respective education institutes.
- 5. Enhance exchanges and cooperation between our respective enterprises and research institutes in scientific research and application.
- 6. The Manitoba Trade and Investment Corporation of the Government of Manitoba and the Foreign Affairs Office of Anhui Provincial People's Government will maintain close contact to coordinate the development of mutual exchanges and cooperation so as to ensure the effective implementation of cooperation.

This Memorandum of Understanding is written in both English and Chinese, both versions being equally valid. It will come into effect on the date it is signed on September 17th, 2012 in Shanghai, China and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. It may be renewed or amended upon mutual written consent. Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by providing the other with at least three month's written notice of its intention to terminate.

For the Government of Manitoba

For the Government of Anhui

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The Honourable Greg Selinger Premier of Manitoba September 17, 2012 The Honourable Li Bin Governor of Anhui Province September 17, 2012