CONTRACT

Between

Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders’ Association (Association)

And

Recipient of the Starter Flock (Recipient)

1. Conditions specified within this document must be complied with. If situations arise which are not clarified in this Contract, Recipient and Association must work together to achieve a solution. Association’s decision will be final.

2. The Association will award a starter flock of 4 open ewes to the Recipient. Recipient will accomplish the following:
   a. Recipient is responsible for feeding, housing and care of the sheep.
   b. Recipient must provide sheep with proper nutrition and health care, including vaccinations, medications, worming, hoof trimming and shearing.
   c. Recipient will be responsible for all costs involved with raising the sheep.
   d. Registered Columbia rams must be used to breed the brood ewes in the flock during the first 3 years.

3. Starter flock ewes’ registrations will be transferred to the Recipient.
   a. Lambs from the starter flock ewes will be inspected and, if qualified, will be registered in the Recipient’s name.

4. Starter Flock Recipient will be assigned a sponsor/mentor who will be a member of the Association, selected by the Association.
   a. The flock donor will be the initial sponsor.
   b. An Association member living near the Recipient may also be designated a sponsor/mentor by the Association. This person is available to answer questions, provide assistance and encouragement.
   c. The sponsor may visit to inspect the sheep at any time.
   d. These persons are NOT responsible for the success or failure of the project.

5. Recipient should show their breeding stock as a breeding project in the junior/open breeding sheep division at their local county fair and also at the Montana Columbia Junior Show in Lewistown.

6. Recipient must maintain membership with the Association during the three-year period.
7. Recipient is required to compensate the Association the value of a 100-lb. market lamb each successive year for 3 years. This payment is to be made at the annual Association sale. The proceeds will be used to fund future starter flocks. The value of the market lamb (price /pound) will be the average price paid for 100 lb. Lambs at the sale at Public Auction Yards in Billings, MT just prior to the Annual Columbia Assn. sale in Lewistown.

8. Recipient is required to submit a written report to the Association annually for 3 years on the progress of the flock. This report will presented at the General Membership Meeting at Lewistown in conjunction with the Montana Columbia Sheep Show and Sale.

9. Failure to comply with conditions in this Contract will cause original starter flock ewes to be returned to the Association.

Agreed to this __________ day of _________________ in the year ___________.

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Association President                                                   Recipient

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Association Secretary                                                   Parent or Guardian