



Ontario Food Terminal Board

Date: January 21, 2022
Bulletin: 1944
To: All Tenants & Buyers
From: I. B. Nicholas
Re: Covid-19 Rapid Antigen Test Kits

The Ontario Food Terminal Board has been approached by the C.F.I.G. and the governments of Ontario and Canada to be a distribution centre for Covid-19 Rapid Tests because they realize the significant contribution the food terminal makes as a distribution centre providing food for Ontario and other provinces. Governments also realize that distributing rapid tests from this facility will allow independent buyers a convenient access to these much need test kits to help stem the tide of this pandemic and thereby help to get their workers back into the stores.

The system would be set up to have the Ontario Food Terminal Board distribute the test kits to buyers, warehouse tenants, farmers market tenants, office tenants and restaurant tenants. Although all stakeholders would be provided with the test kits, the emphasis is being placed on the buyers who have serious staffing issues because of the spread of covid-19. Stores are having great difficulty keeping staff at work because of covid-19 with many staff members off work in isolation protocols.

The distribution of the Rapid Test Kits requires the recipient to provide the name of their company, address and contact information. The plan is to provide two (2) rapid test kits per employee per week. The Board would like the estimate number of test kits that your company will require for planning purposes. The recipient will also be required to provide follow up information as to the outcome of the rapid tests on their employees, so that governments can ascertain the success of the distribution of the kits.

The Board would like to know whether or not you will participate in this program as designed and the number of test kits you need, so that we can advise governments of the expected participation numbers and the number of test kits that will be required. Please respond by email at info@oftb.com or by fax at 416-259-4303, as soon as possible and no later than Friday February 4th, 2022, so that the Board can advise the authorities on the interest level in this program.

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