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News Release

## TURNERS & GROWERS CHAIRMAN, TONY GIBBS NOT SEEKING RE-ELECTION

Turners & Growers Managing Director, Jeff Wesley has today advised the NZX that the company's Chairman, Tony Gibbs is not seeking re-election at the Turners & Growers AGM on June 30th.

Jeff Wesley said, "It is with regret that I advise our Chairman and long standing Director, Tony Gibbs has decided not to offer himself for re-election at the AGM scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Tony has led Turners & Growers for 16 successful years and in that time the company has grown from a small domestic fruit and produce company to a global fresh produce leader proudly operating on the world stage. His contribution to the company has been enormous.

Under Tony's steady hand Turners & Growers has grown dramatically as a company, become a significant player in the international fresh produce industry and innovated new fruit varieties such as Jazz and Envy apples, Enza Gold & Enza Red kiwifruit, Enza Blue Blueberries and others.

Tony will remain a major supplier to T&G with his Ezypeel Mandarins and the Board, Management, staff and horticulture industry will all join with me in wishing Tony all the best for the future and thanking him for the enormous contribution he has made to the company and the industry, which he is so passionate about."

Mr. Wesley said the company remains committed to key initiatives led by Tony Gibbs including continuing to champion the need for an end to Zespri's outdated monopoly over New Zealand kiwifruit exports.

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### About [Turners & Growers](#):

Sells approximately of \$1 billion of fresh produce globally each year  
45 companies worldwide in the Turners & Growers Group including [ENZA](#)  
New Zealand's leading distributor, marketer and exporter of premium fresh produce  
The largest corporate horticulture investor in New Zealand  
The largest grower of new apple varieties and hothouse tomatoes  
Own the largest network of fresh produce markets in New Zealand facilitating more than 200 million kilograms of fresh fruit and vegetables every day  
One of the largest operators of fruit cool stores and pack houses throughout New Zealand  
Operates a specialized fresh produce transport fleet in New Zealand that travels more than 4 million kilometers every year



**About ENZA:**

New Zealand's largest apple exporter

Sells fruit in more than 60 countries

Grows apples in 12 countries

One of the world's best known produce brands

Key supplier of fresh produce to 22 of the world's top 25 retailers

Owens the rights to new global varieties including JAZZ™ and ENVY™ apples and ENZA Red Kiwifruit.

Merged with Turners & Growers in 2003 to create global growing and distribution network.

