## Motivating Today's Agri-Worker

## **Employee Compensation and Benefits**

## Three key points for an effective compensation system:

- 1. Employees believe that they receive fair and equitable pay for work performed.
- 2. Pay for various jobs reflect importance of the job and degree of difficulty of skills required to perform the job.
- 3. Pay is competitive with local job market.

## Employee compensation and benefits options:

- Seniority raise based upon length of time on the job.
- Merit raise tied to the superior performance of an individual.
- Productivity raise based upon the employee attaining a production quota.
- Annual bonus is a single payment to all employees based upon the company's results.
- Retention bonus is paid to all team members for their collective success.
- Profit sharing is when a portion of the company's profits get distributed among all the employees.
- Insurances for employees and their dependants: medical, life, dental, vision and long-term disability.
- Subsidized child and/or elder care program.
- Employer contributions towards registered retirement savings plan or registered education savings plan.
- Flexible scheduling options: compressed work week, flex-time, part-time, job sharing and telecommuting.
- Housing or relocation allowance.
- Paid vacation times.
- Free local gym memberships.
- Bereavement leave/family illness leave.
- Company pension plan.
- Educational financial assistance.
- Employee discount for company products.
- Local transit/buss pass or annual bicycle allowance to promote active/environmental living.