NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

AGRI- BUSINESS MARKETING - CBU 4206

FINAL EXAMINATION - JUNE 2010

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer any **four** questions.

INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES

- 1. All questions carry **25** marks each.
- 2. Questions may be answered in any order.
- 3. Credit will be given for the use of appropriate examples.
- 4. This question paper contains **seven** questions.

QUESTION 1

a) As an agri-business marketing manager, conduct a five forces analysis for any agribusiness firm (food or fibre manufacturing firm) in Zimbabwe.

[15 marks]

b) Using any **one** of the strategic positioning options available to agri-business managers, describe how you can mitigate the effects of these forces.

10 marks]

QUESTION 2

Governments usually implement agricultural policies with the goal of achieving a specific outcome in the domestic agricultural product markets.

- a) Briefly explain any three outcomes that can be achieved through the implementation of agricultural policies by government. [15 Marks]
- b) Discuss the various policy tools that are used by government in a bid to encourage local production.
 [10 Marks]

QUESTION 3

Briefly explain ten barriers to entry into the agri-business market.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 4

- a) Describe the different types of channel intermediaries in the agribusiness industry using relevant examples. [15 Marks]
- b) What are the benefits offered by these channel members to producers or firms in the industry? [10 Marks]

QUESTION 5

Discuss the **three** pricing strategies that are used by managers in the agribusiness markets.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 6

Heightened levels of consolidation within the agribusiness industry have negative impacts on small farmers and consumers worldwide.

a) Discuss the three processes by which consolidation in the agribusiness industry occur.

[15 marks]

b) Discuss the effects of consolidation in the agribusiness industry.

[10 Marks]

QUESTION 7

1Describe the different types of agribusiness market structures.

[25 Marks]

END OF EXAMINATION