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1. This Taxation Determination confirms that Wheat Industry Fund levies and refunds of equity in the fund are treated in the same way as the former Wheat Finance Fund levies and distributions which were the subject of *Income Tax Ruling* IT 224.

2. Both the Wheat Industry Fund and Wheat Research Trust Fund components of the levies are deductible under subsection 51(1) of the Act, being necessarily incurred by growers in carrying on their business.

3. Refunds of equity in the fund are assessable under subsection 25(1) as they are an integral part of the activities of the growers which produce assessable income.

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