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Subject: Soybean Cyst Nematode (*Heterodera glycines* Ichinohe) Stakeholder Consultation Questions and Answers Document

Dear Sir/Madam,

The soybean cyst nematode (SCN) Risk Management Discussion document (RMD), proposing de-regulation of the nematode pest, was circulated for stakeholder consultation in February 2011. The stakeholder feedback was received and summarized. The significant concerns raised by stakeholders, with a common theme, were identified. The CFIA initiated further face to face consultation with stakeholders to achieve a mutual understanding of the respective position on de-regulation and thereby, address the stakeholder concerns. The Questions and Answers document provides additional details that may not have been included in the RMD. It is intended that this document be reviewed in conjunction with the RMD.

We encourage you to take the time to review the Questions and Answers Document because your feedback is very important to us. The CFIA requests your comments on the Questions and Answers Document prior to January 15, 2012. Please include the word "comments" in the subject line of your email to be sent to CFIA-Grains-ACIA@inspection.gc.ca. Alternatively, you can send your comments by mail to the address below.

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