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Subject: Agrisure Viptera and Agrisure Duracade (MIR 162)

Dear CHS Grower,

In Mid-November 2013, China began rejecting grain shipments that contain traces of Syngenta's Agrisure Viptera (MIR 162) biotechnology-enhanced corn trait. Despite China's opposition to the MIR 162 trait; Syngenta continues to Market MIR162 and intends to launch an additional biotechnology-enhanced corn trait, Agrisure Duracade. This trait also has not been approved by China and other U.S. export markets as of this letter.

On January 23, 2014 the National Grain and Feed Association (NGFA) and the North American Export Grain Association (NAEGA) publically requested that Syngenta immediately halt commercialization in the United States of these two biotechnology-enhanced corn traits until such time as China and certain other U.S export markets have granted required regulatory approvals/authorizations. To date, Syngenta has taken no such action.

These GMO corn varieties pose significant export trade risks to US companies including CHS Inc. CHS and other companies with global grain markets take such issues seriously. We understand the importance of respecting, and abiding by trade agreements and respective countries' regulatory processes. CHS Marshall Regional joins NGFA and NAEGA in opposition to Syngenta's commercialization of unapproved biotechnology-enhanced traits in the United States until such time as China and other U.S. export markets have granted regulatory approvals and authorizations.

At this time, **CHS Marshall is not accepting unapproved biotechnology-enhanced traits** and strongly urges farmers not to plant unapproved varieties. We reserve the right to reject and/or require testing of any deliveries. Any acceptance, rejection or testing for the presence of unapproved GMO corn varieties such as Syngenta's Duracade or Viptera traits will be determined by CHS Marshall.

Please contact myself or any of our field marketers for further information on the approval status of these specific GMO corn varieties.

Sincerely,

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