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Subject: Tolerance Crop Grouping comment

Hi Jim,

Attached is the comment we submitted to Regulations.gov regarding the proposed new Crop Group 24: Tropical and Subtropical Fruit, Inedible Peel Group (Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0766).

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Comments in Response to Tolerance Crop Grouping Program IV

The following comments are being submitted in response to the November 14, 2014 Federal Register notice regarding EPA's proposed revisions to its pesticide tolerance crop grouping regulations. These comments are being submitted on behalf of the Western Integrated Pest Management Center and provide input on the establishment of Crop Group 24: Tropical and Subtropical Fruit, Inedible Peel Group.

Longan (*Dimocarpus longan* Lour.) EPA proposed including longan in Crop Subgroup 24C (Medium to large fruit, rough or hairy, inedible peel subgroup). Instead, longan should be included in Crop Subgroup 24A (Small fruit, inedible peel subgroup). Longan is similar to lychee, the proposed representative commodity for Subgroup 24A. The fruit is similar in size to lychee (usually slightly smaller), and the peel is sandpapery but slightly smoother than lychee. Longan is definitely not as large as fruit from the Annonaceae family, e.g., atemoya, cherimoya, soursop, and sugar apple; nor pineapple, breadfruit, durian and jackfruit. Pictures of longan are displayed at: http://www.ars-grin.gov/cgi-bin/npgs/html/tax_imag.pl?14131.

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