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SUBJECT: Compliance Agreement Request

This letter serves as the formal request for Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative (SMBSC) to be the responsible entity and enter into a compliance agreement with APHIS/BRS in advance of the shipment (import/movement) and/or planting (environmental release) of H7-1 sugar beets (seeds and roots) associated with the H7-1 sugar beet root crop production activities. I, [PII] am the authorized representative approved by SMBSC, the responsible entity, and authorized to request, legally bind and obligate, and sign the compliance agreement on behalf of SMBSC and its members, growers, contractors, etc.

Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative wishes to import/move/plant H7-1 sugar beet (seeds and roots) associated with sugar beet root production activities. The required

information is provided below. We would prefer that APHIS send us the compliance agreement for review and signature via [REDACTED] PII

Business Information:

Responsible entity: Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative
83550 County Road 21, Renville, MN 56284
Nature of responsible entity: Cooperative, Sugar Processor
Number and type of members: Approximately 500, grower owners
States where activities will be conducted under the compliance agreement: Minnesota
Type of activities that will be conducted under the compliance agreement: Seed movement, planting (environmental release), root crop movement

Third Party Inspector and Third Party Auditor Information:

[REDACTED]

For Importation and Movement:

Companies shipping H7-1 sugar beet seed (origin): [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Company receiving H7-1 seed (destination): Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative
Approximate total quantity of H7-1 seed: 65,000 units
Timeframe seed will be received: Approximately March 15, 2011 to April 15, 2011

These seeds will be distributed to approximately 500 shareholder growers for planting from approximately March 20, 2011 to June 1, 2011. Upon completion of the growing season these 500 shareholder growers will deliver approximately 3,000,000 tons of sugar beet roots to Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative between approximately September 1, 2011 and November 1, 2011. These seed plantings and the resulting root crop will take place in the following counties in the state of Minnesota: Big Stone, Brown, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lyon, McLeod, Meeker, Nicollet, Pope, Redwood, Renville, Sibley, Stearns, Swift, Stevens, Traverse, Watonwan, Wilkin and Yellow Medicine.

For Environmental Release:

The plantings (environmental release) will take place in the following counties in the state of Minnesota with the approximate acreages for each county noted in Table 1 below.

Table 1. Approximate acreages, by county and state, for the Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative 2011 growing season.

County Name	State	Approximate Acres to Plant	3 yrs Ag Production
BIG STONE	MN	100	Yes
BROWN	MN	350	Yes
CHIPPEWA	MN	30,500	Yes
COTTONWOOD	MN	200	Yes
DOUGLAS	MN	300	Yes
GRANT	MN	200	Yes
KANDIYOHI	MN	14,500	Yes
LAC QUI PARLE	MN	550	Yes
LYON	MN	400	Yes
MC LEOD	MN	2,300	Yes
MEEKER	MN	2,600	Yes
NICOLLET	MN	50	Yes
POPE	MN	2,500	Yes
REDWOOD	MN	4,200	Yes
RENVILLE	MN	36,600	Yes
SIBLEY	MN	2,800	Yes
STEARNS	MN	2,500	Yes
STEVENS	MN	2,600	Yes
SWIFT	MN	6,500	Yes
TRAVERSE	MN	400	Yes
WATONWAN	MN	100	Yes
WILKIN	MN	200	Yes
YELLOW MEDICINE	MN	3,400	Yes

If you have any questions regarding the above information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

PII
[Redacted Signature]

Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative

Authorized Representative

