

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

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Subject: CanadaGAP announces new Certification Body – TSLC

The CanadaGAP® Program is pleased to announce the addition of a new Certification Body – TSLC, officially operating as TSL Certification Services International Canada Ltd., who will begin offering CanadaGAP audits and certification for the 2023 season.

Third-party certification bodies are licensed by CanadaGAP to provide audit and certification services for fresh fruit and vegetable operations who are enrolled in the program. Program participants must comply with food safety standards outlined by CanadaGAP and undergo and successfully complete on-site audits by their selected Certification Body to obtain and maintain CanadaGAP certification.

TSLC is proud to be a Canadian owned and operated, independent third party provider of accredited audit services to the food and agriculture industry. TSLC President and Managing Director, Frank Schreurs, is a veteran food safety and quality professional and an early partner to the CanadaGAP Program as President of the Guelph Food Technology Centre (GFTC), among the first certification bodies to offer CanadaGAP audits in 2009. Frank is also a founding member of the CHC On-Farm Food Safety Committee, which was the genesis of the CanadaGAP Program. Says Schreurs, "Our team of experienced auditors and operations staff will be able to serve our clients in a manner where all stakeholders will benefit from a service provision of trust, value and integrity". TSLC is affiliated with TSL Certification Services International Limited. (TSL CSI), an ANAB accredited Certification Body.

TSLC will be offering its CanadaGAP services in all provinces across Canada. **To start, services will be available only in English, with plans to expand to a French service offering in the near future.**

TSLC/TSL CSI joins three currently licensed Certification Bodies: Bureau de normalisation du Québec (BNQ), Control Union, and NSF Canada Agricultural Certification Company (NSF Canada Ag), in offering CanadaGAP audits and certification. We encourage you to visit CanadaGAP's CB webpage https://www.canadagap.ca/certification/certification-bodies/tslc for more specifics.

For more information or questions on transfers or new certification with TSLC, e-mail info@tslccanada.ca or text or call 519-318-8314.

Please contact the CanadaGAP office at info@canadagap.ca with any questions.

CanadaGAP® is a program developed in Canada to promote Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) for fruit and vegetable suppliers.

