

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

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**Subject**: CanadaGAP Announces Stakeholder Advisory Committee for 2018

Appointments to the CanadaGAP Stakeholder Advisory Committee for 2018 have been made by the CanAgPlus Board of Directors.

The CanadaGAP Stakeholder Advisory Committee meets annually to provide input, advice and recommendations to the Board on the technical components of the CanadaGAP Program.

The following members were appointed to serve on the Committee:

Area of Expertise	Appointee	Organization
Food Safety, Tree and Vine Fruit	Mariana Black	BC Tree Fruit Cooperative
Small Fruit, Potatoes, Vegetables	Joanne Driscoll	PEI Horticultural Association
Food Safety, Small Fruit	Nadene Gurulé	Agrifina Services
Repacking and Wholesaling, Vegetables, Potatoes	Grant Hackman	Peak of the Market
Food Safety	Jeff Hall	Canadian Produce Marketing Association
Potatoes	Terence Hochstein	Potato Growers of Alberta
Tree Fruit	Stéphanie Levasseur	Au Cœur de la pomme
Food Safety	James Sefton	Sefton Food Safety Consulting/Coaching
Vegetables, Potatoes	Quinton Woods	Gwillimdale Farms
Greenhouse, Board liaison	Chair –Stephanie Larivière	Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers / Erie James Ltd.

Nominations to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee are being accepted annually. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply through the nomination process each summer. For more information on the Stakeholder Advisory Committee visit the CanadaGAP website at: <a href="http://www.canadagap.ca/history/governance/">http://www.canadagap.ca/history/governance/</a>

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

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## **About CanadaGAP**

CanadaGAP is a national, voluntary food safety program consisting of standards and a certification system for the safe production and handling of fresh fruits and vegetables. The program is officially recognized by the Government of Canada and by GFSI (Global Food Safety Initiative). Two manuals, one specific to greenhouse operations, the second for other fruit and vegetable operations, have been developed by the horticultural industry and reviewed for technical soundness by Canadian government officials. The manuals are designed for companies implementing Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) in their fruit and vegetable production, packing and storage operations; for repackers and wholesalers implementing Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs) and HACCP programs; and for produce brokers following supplier management and traceability best practices.