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To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders
Date: December 13, 2018
Subject: **CanadaGAP Announces Stakeholder Advisory Committee for 2019**

CanadaGAP is pleased to announce its Stakeholder Advisory Committee members for 2019. The volunteer committee serves a technical advisory role to the CanAgPlus Board of Directors, meets annually and holds teleconferences as needed.

The Committee's role is to:

- Review updates to the CanadaGAP Audit Checklist
- Review proposed revisions and updates to the CanadaGAP food safety manuals and HACCP models, as required
- Review other technical matters related to the CanadaGAP program (e.g., self-assessment checklist and declaration of conformity, auditor training materials, etc.)

The Board elected one new member to fill a resignation and one member has been reappointed. A new chair has been selected to oversee the committee's work. All other individuals are returning members.

Area of Expertise	Appointee	Affiliated Organization
Food Safety	Eric Cheng	Star Produce
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 and Vine Fruit	Stéphanie Levasseur	Au Cœur de la pomme
Food Safety	James Sefton	Sefton Food Safety Consulting/Coaching
Vegetables, Potatoes	Quinton Woods	Gwillimdale Farms
Chair , Board liaison	Cathy McKay	Nature's Bounty

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



Nominations to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee are 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: <http://www.canadagap.ca/history/governance/>

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.

