

To: Program Participants using SGS Canada for CanadaGAP Audits

and Other Stakeholders

Date: June 13, 2019

Subject: Final Reminder – No CanadaGAP audits by SGS Canada as of June 30

SGS Canada will stop offering CanadaGAP audits as of June 30, 2019.

Program participants who currently use SGS Canada have <u>only two weeks</u> to choose a new certification body:

NSF Canada Ag Tel: 1-519-821-1246 Website: www.gftc.ca
BNQ Tel: 1-800-386-5114 ext. 2451 Website: www.bnq.qc.ca

Regardless of when your SGS certificate expires, please act now to avoid disruption to your certification cycle or to the period during which your CanadaGAP certificate remains valid. Please complete the Change of Status Form. Answer question 4 to indicate your new certification body, and send the signed form to the CanadaGAP office by email to info@canadagap.ca, by mail or by fax to 613-829-9379.

Some CanadaGAP auditors who have been working for SGS Canada may have been contracted by one of the above mentioned certification bodies. You may wish to follow your auditor to that certification body, especially if you have already confirmed a date for your 2019 audit. *Please check with your auditor and/or your new certification body to be sure.*

We will inform your new certification body of the transfer, and they will contact you to review the scope of your operation and certification and to confirm the timing of your next audit or self-assessment review.

If you have any questions, contact the certification bodies listed above, or the CanadaGAP office at info@canadagap.ca or 613-829-4711. SGS Canada is also providing clients with assistance to transfer to a new certification body and can be reached at 905-364-3758 or amrutha.mathew@sgs.com.

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

