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Ms. Shaja Joyner, PM-20
Office of Pesticide Programs (7504P)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
2777 Crystal Drive, Rm. S-4900
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Ms. Joyner:

Subject: Petition for Extension of the Period of Exclusive Data Use for the Active Ingredient:
Forchlorfenuron KT-30 Technical (EPA Reg. No. 71049-2) and CPPU Plant Growth Regulator (EPA
Reg. No. 71049-4)

KIM BLUE (CPPU) Plant Growth Regulator is a valuable tool for blueberry producers. Fruit maturation of KIM BLUE-treated blueberry bushes is delayed compared to non-treated. This enables growers to better manage their less-than-adequate harvest labor. Growers with a significant acreage of a single variety are able to delay berry maturity on a portion of that acreage, thereby smoothing out the peaks of production. KIM BLUE has also been an extremely useful tool for delaying maturity of late season varieties in northern US production areas, when fruit supplies are lower and selling prices are higher.

We strongly support KIM-C's request that you grant an additional year of exclusive use of the data supporting the CPPU registration.

Sincerely,

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