Memo re: NE\_TEMP 1832: Biological Control of Arthropod Pests and Weeds

To: The Multistate Activities Committee (MAC)

We have received reviews of our NE\_TEMP 1832 proposal and are generally pleased with the positive

comments and the recommendations of all four reviewers to approve the proposal and continue the project.

We did receive a few specific recommendations regarding the wording of the proposal, and those changes have

been made, specifically removing outdated information from the outreach section, and adding one additional objective (#5).

One reviewer suggested that there are key personnel that would be beneficial to our group that we

should seek out, such as an economist to research and report on the economic benefits of biological control; and a landscape ecologist to contribute to the biological control of weed programs. These are good suggestions, and one comment made by this reviewer was that these individuals could be invited to the next annual meet to begin

conversations and collaborations in these areas. We will discuss this as we begin to plan our next annual meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of our proposal.

Sincerely,

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