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The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project NRSP-6 – The US Potato Genebank: Acquisition, Classification, Preservation, Evaluation and Distribution of Potato (Solanum) Germplasm beginning October 01, 2010 through September 30, 2015. NIFA concurs with the recommendation of the Executive Director and has APPROVED this project. A copy of the approved MRF project outline will be available to all participating stations and agencies via the National Information Management and Support System.

Sincerely

Accountability and Reporting Leader

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