



United States Department of Agriculture

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

September 14, 2012

Director Ron Perry
Michigan – Michigan State University
Agricultural Experiment Station
109 Agriculture Hall
East Lansing, 48824–1039

Dear Director Perry:

Director William M. Randle
Ohio – Ohio State University
Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center
Research Services Building
Wooster, OH 44691

Dear Director Randle:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project NC–140 – Improving Economic and Environmental Sustainability in Tree–Fruit Production Through Changes in Rootstock Use beginning October 01, 2012 through September 30, 2017. 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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara A. Hewitt".

Accountability and Reporting Leader
for Meryl Broussard
Deputy Director, NIFA

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