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Director H. Paul Rasmussen Utah – Utah State University Agricultural Experiment Station

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## Dear Director Rasmussen:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project W-1150 – Exotic Germplasm Conversion and Breeding Common Bean (Phaseolus vulgaris L.) for Resistance to Abiotic and Biotic Stresses and to Enhance Nutritional Value (from W150) beginning October 01, 2005 through September 29, 2010.

CSREES 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

for GARY L. CUNNINGHAM

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Associate Administrator, CSREES

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