



United States Department of Agriculture

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Director Saied Mostaghimi  
Virginia – Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VA Tech)  
104 Hutcheson Hall

Blacksburg, VA 24061

Dear Director Mostaghimi:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has **RECOMMENDED EXTENSION** of MRF project S-1031 – Improvement and Sustainability of Channel-Blue Hybrid Catfish Embryo Production and Performance to September 30, 2013.

NIFA concurs with the recommendation of the Executive Director and has **APPROVED** this extension. All contributing projects are automatically extended to September 30, 2013. We would appreciate your assistance in notifying all non-SAES participants of this action.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara A. Hewitt". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Accountability and Reporting Leader  
for Meryl Broussard  
Deputy Director, NIFA

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