

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20436

October 7, 2019

Dear Sir or Madam:

The United States International Trade Commission ("Commission") invites you to participate in a public hearing on Tuesday, October 29, 2019, in connection with a report titled *Global Economic Impact of Missing and Low Pesticide Maximum Residue Levels* (Investigation No. 332-573). The Commission is preparing this report at the request of the United States Trade Representative (USTR). Further details on the requested report and the Commission's proceeding are included in the attached <u>notice of investigation</u>, which has been published in the Federal Register.

We invite you to provide information relevant to the investigation, including by participating in the public hearing, by filing a written submission, or both. The hearing will take place in the Commission's main hearing room beginning at 9:30 a.m. on October 29, 2019. To appear at the hearing, we ask that you file a "request to appear" with the Commission's Office of the Secretary by October 17, 2019. Your request should indicate who will testify, and the amount of time you expect to need. Hearing witnesses typically speak for about 5 minutes. You may also submit a longer written statement for the record.

The Commission also invites you to file written submissions with the Office of the Secretary. As USTR requested that the Commission provide its report in two volumes with different delivery dates, the Commission has established two deadlines for filing written submissions: for matters pertaining to volume 1 of the report, submissions are due by December 13, 2019; and for written submissions for matters pertaining to volume 2 of the report, submissions are due by June 5, 2020. For further information on filing written submissions, including information regarding the subject matter of each volume of the report and the submission of confidential business information, please see the enclosed copy of the Commission's notice of investigation

If you have any questions, please contact Justin Choe, hearing coordinator at (202) 205-3229 or Justin.Choe@usitc.gov or Sabina Neumann, project leader at (202) 205-3000 or Sabina.Neumann@usitc.gov.

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