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September 30, 2013

Chris LeMay, Principal Budget Analyst Office of Policy and Management 450 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Subject: Federal Government Shut Down – Contingency

Dear Chris,

The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station currently has 27 full time positions that are funded using federal grants. The majority of our federal funding comes from the USDA. We do not believe that there will be any changes to our current federal grant authorizations. We do invoice and request federal fund drawdowns on a reimbursement basis, either on a monthly and quarterly basis, depending on the requirements and/or activity of the grant. We have invoiced and received reimbursement for all federal grant expenditures through June 30, 2013.

The federal government shutdown will delay the reimbursement of federal grants for the quarter that ends on September 30, 2013. We invoice approximately \$800,000 - \$1 million per quarter.

The feedback that we have received from our federal partners indicates that there will not be any immediate authorization changes to our current federal grant awards as we move into federal fiscal year 2014. We will continue to carefully track and report any changes regarding our federal grant programs.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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