

GIPSA Verifies Performance of EnviroLogix Kit to Detect Roundup Ready® Corn

WASHINGTON, April 25, 2002--The USDA Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration announced today that it has verified that the EnviroLogix Inc., Roundup Ready® QuickStix™ Kit for Corn Grain (Part No. AS010BG) detects the presence of one Roundup Ready® corn kernel (NK603) in 200 kernels in 5 minutes.

This test was evaluated under GIPSA's recently expanded Rapid Test Performance Evaluation Program.

GIPSA administrator Donna Reifschneider said that GIPSA's evaluation of this test will help the grain markets make more informed decisions about the grain being bought and sold.

For information on GIPSA's Rapid Test Performance Evaluation Program and Proficiency Program, visit GIPSA's Biotechnology web page at <http://www.usda.gov/gipsa/biotech/biotech.htm>.

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