

GIPSA Approves Veratox® Aflatoxin Test Kit to Detect Aflatoxin for Commodities in Addition to Corn

WASHINGTON, DC (March 7, 2006) - The USDA Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration today announced that Neogen Corporation Veratox® Quantitative Aflatoxin test kit, Product #8030 quantitative kit has been expanded to include additional commodities for official testing of aflatoxin in the national grain inspection system.

GIPSA has now approved the official use of the Veratox® Quantitative Aflatoxin test kit to determine total aflatoxin levels in corn, corn gluten meal, corn meal, corn soy blend, cottonseed, distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS), milled rice, popcorn, sorghum, soybeans, and wheat.

Aflatoxins are toxins produced by a mold that can be present in corn, sorghum, and other grains.

According to GIPSA administrator James Link, approval to test additional commodities using this kit expands the choice of aflatoxin test kits available to the national inspection system.

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