

GIPSA Approves Neogen Corporation Veratox DON 5/5 Test Kit to Detect Deoxynivalenol in Milled Rice

WASHINGTON, DC (August 1, 2006) - The USDA Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration today announced that Neogen Corporation Veratox DON 5/5 quantitative test kit, Product # 8331, has been expanded to include milled rice for official testing of deoxynivalenol (DON) in the national grain inspection system.

Deoxynivalenol, or DON, is a toxin produced by a mold and can be present in wheat, barley, corn, and other grains.

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

GIPSA has now approved the official use of the Neogen Corporation Veratox DON 5/5 test kit to determine deoxynivalenol levels in milled rice.

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