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**Subject:** Comments on proposed voluntary U.S. Standards for Grades of Tomatoes on the Vine

**Importance:** High

On behalf of the Florida Tomato Exchange, I request an extension of time within which to file comments. We ask for 30 days due to the fact that this is busiest part of the season for the growers and packers. In addition, we have had to deal with severe weather and our efforts have been devoted to food safety, trade and other important matters. We are not seeking an advantage in this request and we do not believe anyone will be prejudiced by an extension. The extension will allow us to carefully review the proposed voluntary standards. We are supportive of the effort to improve standards; we just need a little time to consider the comments in the proposal. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Respectfully,  
John Himmelberg on behalf of the Florida Tomato Exchange

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