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Mr. Richard Mathews,
I urge you approve the organic cerification of the active ingredient, Spinosad. I am an organic cherry producer in central Washington state. We are limited in production with a -0- tolerance policy concerning the pest, Western Cherry Fruit Fly. The organically approved controls now available are inadequate. This requires extra inputs of time and resources to assure contol. The organic certification of Spinosad, which is being applied by conventional growers, will eliminate the waste of both time, fruit and resources for the organic grower.

Thank You for your time
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