Fruit & Vegetable Program

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## **AMENDMENT NO. 1**

## COMMODITY SPECFICATIONS BULK PRODUCTS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING AUGUST 2012

The purpose of this amendment is to revise the "F. Containers and Packing" requirements to reflect current industry practices.

1. Section I. Paragraph F. is revised to read as follows:

## F. Containers and Packing

- 1. For products loaded directly onto the conveyance (Bulk): the conveyance must be well maintained, clean, and covered.
- 2. All other products shall be packed in new good, clean, quality containers (bins, totes, cartons, etc.) so constructed as to ensure acceptance by common carrier or other carrier for safe transportation for domestic shipment.
- 3. Vendors have the option to use commercial labeling on the containers; however, they must meet all applicable FDA requirements and contain a code which allows traceability of the product in the event of a recall.

When the containers are labeled: In addition to any commercial markings, each container shall show the grower or shipper name and address. If a specific variety, color, grade, and/or size are required per the solicitation, those factors shall also be listed on the container.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.