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AMENDMENT NO. 2

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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. Primary Containers (Cartons, Crates, RPCs, Bags, Sacks):
 - a. All products shall be packed in new, good, clean primary containers so constructed as to ensure acceptance by common carrier or other carrier for safe transportation for domestic shipment.
 - b. When secondary containers are present, vendors have the option to use commercial labeling on the primary containers. If the primary container is labeled, it must meet all applicable FDA requirements and contain a code which allows traceability of the product in the event of a recall. If a specific variety, size, and/or color are required per the solicitation, that variety, size, and/or color shall also be listed on the primary container.
- 2. Secondary Containers (Bags)
 - a. Vendors shall use commercially acceptable secondary containers which meet all applicable FDA requirements and contain a code which allows traceability of the product in the event of a recall.
 - b. In addition to any commercial markings, each secondary container shall show the grower or shipper name(s) and address. If a specific variety, size, and/or color are required per the solicitation, that variety, size, and/or color shall also be listed on the secondary container.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.