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American Pecan Council c/o Southeast Marketing Field Office Marketing Order and Agreement Division 1124 First Street South Winter Haven, Florida 33880

GROWER NOMINATION FORM PROPOSED CANDIDATE TO BE INCLUDED ON THE AMERICAN PECAN COUNCIL GROWER NOMINATION BALLOT

Each region shall be represented by three grower seats on the Council. Two seats shall be allocated to growers whose acreage is equal to or exceeds 176 pecan acres and one grower seat allocated to a grower whose acreage is less than 176 pecan acres. Proposed candidates will be listed on the nomination ballot sent to growers.

Eastern Region consists of: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina **Central Region** consists of: Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas **Western Region** consists of: Arizona, California, New Mexico

NAME OF GROWER NOMINEE (as should appear on the ballot) EMAIL

If a grower is engaged in producing pecans in more than one region, such grower shall nominate in the region in which they grow the largest volume of their production.

The undersigned are eligible to submit nominations pursuant to section 986.46 of Marketing Order No. 986 (Order), and hereby petition the American Pecan Council (Council) to include on the nominating ballot the name of:

ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
as a candidate for the position of Grower Member to represent the Region for office as set forth in the Order.		Region for the 2	2016-2020 term of
Grower nominee farms pecan acreage \square equal to or exceeding 176 acres or \square less than 176 acres (check one).			
GROWER'S NAME (print clearly)	SIGNATURE*	ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL	
(nominator)			
(supporter)			
(supporter)			

*Signature certifies that I have a proprietary interest in 30 acres or more of pecans or produce an annual average of at least 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans and I am a grower in the region of which I am nominating or supporting a nomination.

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THIS PETITION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN <u>SEPTEMBER 6, 2016</u> IN ORDER TO BE VALID.

Please mail the completed form to:

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or email to Jennie. Varela@ams.usda.gov

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