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All Seed potato producing Companies

## RE: MANDATORY SOIL SAMPLING AND TESTING FOR PCN IN ALL FIELDS INTENDED FOR SEED POTATO PRODUCTION

Following the recently concluded country wide PCN survey, it is clear that a large number of our seed fields are infested by PCN. In this regard, all seed potato producing companies are expected to put in place the following measures;

- 1. Have all fields intended to be used for seed potato production undergo mandatory testing for PCN before they can be approved for seed potato production.
- 2. Maintain a high level of quarantine measures including and not limited to a foot bath at all entrances to the farm.
- 3. Brush off soil particles on seed potato tubers in order to ensure that the cyst is not transferred from one farm to another through seed.

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