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Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension and Welfare Benefits
Administration, Room N-5644
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear Exemption Officer:

In accordance with U.S. Department of Labor Regulations, Section 2520.104-23:

Syngenta Corporation
2200 Concord Pike
P.O. Box 8353
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EIN: 52-2274691

reports that it has adopted the Syngenta Corporation Restoration Plan (the "Plan"), in which 53 employees are participants.

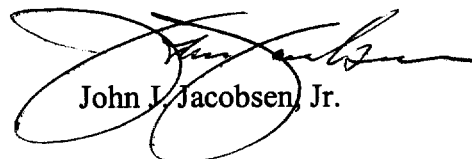
The Plan is maintained primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. At this time the Company maintains two Top Hat Plans.

The benefits under the Plan will be paid solely from the general assets of the Company.

Copies of the Plan documents will be provided to the U.S. Department of Labor upon request.

If any additional information is required, please communicate with the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



John J. Jacobsen, Jr.

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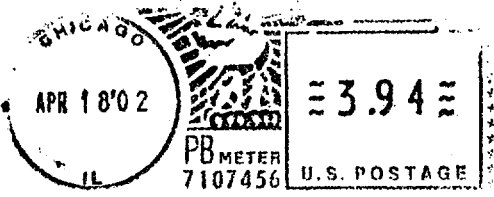
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