

To whom this may Concern,

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I was asked to provide an Affidavit to correct information in this matter that was incorrect. Our operation which farms in Canada has imported seed from Colorado and the state of Colorado still has the ability to ship seed into Canada to be replanted in Canadian Soil. This as long as the Phytosanitary Certificate provided from Colorado Certification contains the information below. (The CFIA Import Permit asks that):

3. The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Chitwoodi*);
Certification/Inspection requirements:

1.) The following Declaration must appear on the Phytosanitary Certificate:

“The material in this consignment was grown in an area free of the Columbia Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Chitwoodi*) This declaration is made on the basis of official soil surveys”.

This above information comes directly from Import Permit P-2015-00657 Issued by CFIA to import a semi load of seed potatoes from Colorado into Canada.

When I asked the question to CFIA official today if Colorado was not permitted to ship seed to Canada, The CFIA official replied as long as Colorado adheres to Import requirements, shipment is permitted.

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Representative

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