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**SUBJECT:** Regulatory Response to Detections of False Codling Moth (FCM) by California Inspectors in South African Citrus Update

**TO:** STATE AND TERRITORY AGRICULTURAL REGULATORY OFFICIALS

As described on DA-2005-21, two live FCM larvae were found on two separate shipments of South African citrus in California. As a result, APHIS-PPQ has taken the following measures for future shipments:

- Instituted an elevated inspection level to ensure 95% confidence to detect 1% infestation in cold treated fruit at ports-of-entry.
- Increased the cold treatment time from 22 to 24 days.
- Pre-cool the fruit to the target temperature of 31 F over a three-day minimum period prior to beginning the 24-day cold treatment process.
- Substantially reduce pest load that may be found during the preclearance inspection prior to treatment from 15 to less than 7 larvae per lot of fruit inspected and from 3 to less than 2 larvae per carton.

The third vessel, the Mulungisi was the first one to be inspected at higher levels of confidence by Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials at the port-of-entry. No live larva was found.

The fourth vessel, the Sun Maria, is currently at the port of Philadelphia. The fruit will be inspected starting today through possibly next Tuesday. The Sun Maria has a total of 3,577 pallets on board, 949 pallets of which are destined to Canada. This vessel is the first one to go through the 24-day cold treatment.

The fifth vessel, the Ural Mountains, is scheduled to arrive next week, on July 5, 2005, to the port of Philadelphia.

Truck drivers customarily provide bills of lading and Customs Entry documents at State inspection stations. Instructions will be given for truck drivers carrying fruit from the Sun Maria and Ural Mountains to carry a copy of the CBP Form 3461 bearing the name of the vessel (block 15). See separate [attachment](#).



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For States interested in FCM lure information and where to purchase it, here are some links that may be useful:

<http://www.insectscience.co.za/phertraps.htm>

<http://www.greatlakesipm.com/index.html>

<http://www.scentry.com/index.html>

<http://www.gemplers.com/a/shop/product.asp?T1=T3131>

<http://www.coopermill.com/fruit.htm#cmoths>

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Attachment