



**DATE:** July 29, 2010  
**TO:** Korea Exporters  
**FROM:** Jim Cranney  
**SUBJECT:** Alert – Korea Announces Pesticide Residue Inspection – August 1

The Korea Food & Drug Administration announced that they will sample for pesticide residues on the top 15 imported fresh fruits and vegetables including citrus from **Aug. 1 through Sept. 30**. The residue testing is being conducted because of an earlier incident when a consumer activist organization created a sensational media event involving detection of an unregistered pesticide on imported cherries.

Korea's Food and Drug Administration will test the first container of every packer during the testing period. They plan to hold the product until results are confirmed and will allow fruit to be held in private cold storage facilities until the fruit is released. We understand that the testing methodology will include only citrus flesh, so no peel will be included in the test.

Korean authorities report that rejected fruit will be destroyed or diverted.

Please contact CCQC if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JRCranney Jr".

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