June 5, 2020

Ms. Alexandra Dapolito Dunn
Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Administrator Dunn:

I know you are well aware of the urgency with which state and federal officials must act to avoid the potentially crippling devastation to agriculture dealt by the Ninth Circuit ruling regarding dicamba. Unless immediate action is taken to restore this product’s availability for use during the growing season now well underway, the impact will further disrupt the economy. From farmers to agricultural suppliers to the food supply chain—individuals and businesses already facing the toughest challenges of their lives—it will be widespread.

Farmers are already well into the growing season throughout our nation. They have invested their hard-earned dollars into inputs based on their needs, and in many cases, the seed has already been planted. It is far too late in the season to strip them of the tools that they have counted on for a successful year.

I cannot overstate the seriousness of this situation. The agency must use every tool at its disposal to counter the ruling’s otherwise imminent impact, including implementing provisions that will allow existing stocks of these products to be used.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Blake Hurst
President