UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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IN THE MATTER OF: Syngenta Seeds, LLC d/b/a Syngenta Hawaii, LLC Respondent.

U.S. EPA Docket No. FIFRA-09-2017-0001 ** FILED ** 02FEB2017 - 02:45PM U.S.EPA - Region 09

ORDER GRANTING SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER

By motion filed by Syngenta Seeds, LLC, d/b/a Syngenta Hawaii, LLC (Respondent), Respondent seeks an order for additional time to respond to the Complaint issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) in the above-referenced matter. Respondent requests an extension of time, up to and including March 6, 2017, to respond to the Complaint. The Agency does not oppose Respondent's request.

Pursuant to The Consolidated Rules of Practice at 40 C.F.R. § 22.07(b), the Presiding Officer may grant a motion for an extension of time to respond to a complaint "for good cause shown, and after consideration of prejudice to other parties." Based on the information in the moving papers and my conversation with the parties, I conclude good cause exists for granting the Respondent's request for an extension to respond to the Complaint in this matter. Furthermore, the Agency will not be unfairly prejudiced by my approval of the extension.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The time for Respondent to respond to the Complaint and request a hearing is extended to and including March 6, 2017.

Dated: February 1, 2017

Steven L. Jawgiel

Regional Judicial Officer U.S. EPA, Region IX

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing order issued by the Regional Judicial Officer in the matter of Syngenta Seeds LLC (FIFRA-09-2017-0001), has been filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, and a copy was served on Counsel for Respondent, and Counsel for EPA, as indicated below:

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Dated this 2nd day of February, 2017.

Steven Armsey

Regional Hearing Clerk EPA, Region 9