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As of today we will not be accepting any corn with the Syngenta traits Agrisure Viptera® or Agrisure Duracade™ in them this coming fall of 2014.

None of our normal markets will guarantee acceptance of corn with these traits in them because the corn with these traits, and thus any byproducts of processing, has not been approved to be exported into some foreign markets, namely China.

Since these markets are not going to accept these traits, we cannot accept them either, and be faced with the risk of contaminating our corn supply and not being able to sell the corn or having to sell it into a market that is substantially farther away and incurring a loss in the process.

Please keep this information in mind when you are deciding on varieties of corn you are going to plant this coming spring. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you, but we hope that you can understand the situation we are in as well.

Thanks for your understanding,

Shideler Grain Co., Inc.