



**STATE OF VERMONT**

Secretary Anson B. Tebbetts  
Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food, and Markets  
116 State Street  
Montpelier, Vermont, 05620

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February 21, 2018

Dear Honorable Secretary Anson B. Tebbetts,

As Chairs of the House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and the Senate Agriculture Committee, we have heard from many of our concerned Vermont legislative colleagues, and they from their constituents, about the 2017 federal reversal on the cancellation of the insecticide chlorpyrifos. In fact, two bills have been introduced in the House and one in the Senate that would require a ban on chlorpyrifos. This reversal is worrisome as it does not appear to be based in science.

The EPA's own data indicated that chlorpyrifos poses a very real risk for human health and the environment and its impending cancellation was overturned at the eleventh hour.

We know that Vermont Agriculture is one of the most progressive in the nation, and as such we hold ourselves and our products to the very highest standards. Vermont's companies, applicators, and growers are ready to move forward and alternatives have already been identified and implemented. Vermont farmers want to protect the environment, their families, their workers, and Vermonters, in general.

So, we, and the undersigned, ask you to please take action.

As such, we are petitioning you under your authority in 6 V.S.A. § 1103 to regulate the sale of pesticides to promote the public health, safety, and welfare and protect agricultural and natural resources by denying registration of chlorpyrifos-containing products. Specifically, we are asking that all such products offered for sale begin discontinuance in October 2018.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Respectfully,

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Rep. Carolyn W. Partridge

Chair, House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry of the Vermont Legislature

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