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Dear Grower,

Please be thinking of what varieties and quantities of Generation zero (G0) seed potatoes you will be requesting from the Plant Materials Center (PMC) for planting on your farm in 2016. In order to establish our greenhouse production plans for 2015 at the PMC, we would like to receive your requests by January 31, 2015. To encourage high quality seed in Alaska potato production we encourage you to renew your seed stocks as often as possible with disease free seed from the PMC. In this regard we are here to serve you and provide the industry with a healthy start.

Please review the attached list of available material and visit www.plants.alaska.gov/PotatoSeedProduction.html for ordering information. The attached list represents 36 varieties which have seen order activity in Alaska the past four years. If you don't see a variety of interest please contact us to explore possibilities. Based on production logistics we are setting a minimum order limit of five pounds per variety. The price per pound will remain the same as last year, \$12.00/lb.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to introduce Bryan Bowen who is the Plant Materials Center's new lead Agronomist for the Potato Program. Bryan comes to us from Wisconsin where he has been the Superintendent of the UW Potato Breeding Station in Rhinelander, WI for the past 23 years. We are excited to welcome him to our staff and look forward to continued collaboration with growers across Alaska!

Bryan can be contacted directly at (907) 745-8724 or Bryan.Bowen@Alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure



Available Potato Varieties

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22-1	Hilite
8-3 (Magic Myrna)	Huckleberry
All Blue	Kennebec
Belle de Fontenay	Keuka Gold
Brigus	Krantz
Bushes Peanut	Lemhi
Cal White	Magic Molly
CalWhite Russet	Mainstay
Caribe	Pimpernel
Cherry Red	Redsen
Chieftain	Robinta
Classic Russet	Russet Norkotah
Dark Red Norland	Sangre 11
Denali	Shepody
Desiree	Superior
German Butterball	Yam
Goldrush	Yukon Gem
Granola	Yukon Gold
Haida	

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