

Corn Growers Support Kraft's Taco Recall

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) respects and supports Kraft Food Co.'s announcement recently to voluntarily withdraw Taco Bell Home Original taco shells from grocery store shelves.

Kraft took the action in the wake of claims that the taco shells contained corn carrying StarLink, a type of *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) not yet approved for food markets.

Corn with StarLink Bt, produced by Aventis Crop Science, has EPA approval for use in feed and industrial uses. Food use is pending. All other Bt corn hybrids grown and sold in the U.S. have governmental approval for both food and feed use.

"We share the concern of Kraft, consumers, and the U.S. regulatory agencies in addressing the possible appearance of a not-yet-approved product in food channels. At stake is the reputation and integrity of U.S.

corn farmers and the food they produce," said Roger Pine, a farmer from Lawrence, Kan., and chairman of the 32,000-member NCGA.

Pine also serves on the USDA Advisory Committee on Agricultural Biotechnology, a panel of 38 people that advises the ag secretary on biotechnology policy.

"We understand that lab tests are continuing in order to confirm or deny the presence of StarLink DNA. The presence of Cry9C, the StarLink type of Bt, in the tacos, if proven, would indicate a significant breach in the license to use StarLink," said Pine. "Until that question can be answered conclusively, we support Kraft's voluntary withdrawal of the taco shells.

"If tests confirm StarLink's presence, we will work diligently with food companies and regulatory agencies to help identify and correct any flaws in the supply chain," Pine continued. "And, if tests show the tacos

don't contain StarLink, we'll help Kraft restock the shelves."

Pine emphasized that this action is occurring because StarLink has allegedly been found in products for which it has not yet been approved. "There is no evidence of allergenicity with the StarLink products. Furthermore, StarLink's use in food has not been rejected by the federal government's approval process but instead is awaiting approval," he noted.

Headquartered in St. Louis, Mo., the organization has been a strong supporter of the U.S. regulatory agencies and systems that approve these and other products. "We will continue to back the rules and regulations required to use this and other technologies. We are committed to meeting these requirements to guarantee the trust and confidence of consumers — whether they are in the U.S., Japan, Europe or anywhere — in the safety and



CORN TALK NEWS

PENNSYLVANIA MASTER CORN GROWERS ASSOC., INC.

wholesomeness of our food supply."

Pine added that NCGA continues to support the availability and accessibility of biotechnology crops. "We support the commercial release of new hybrids created with the use of biotechnology or conventional breeding that have received full approval from all relevant U.S. regulatory agencies," he said. "Those agencies should expedite the process for reviewing and approving agricultural

biotechnology products for use in feed and food. This can be accomplished without sacrificing the rigorous standards consumers expect and deserve.

"We have a sound, safe, abundant food supply," he said, "and we will work hard to reassure consumers that biotechnology products are safe and will be handled in accordance with federal regulations and manufacturer recommendations."



Planting Refuges, Preserving Technology

Binkley & Hurst Bros. Inc. Has A Richardton High Dump Wagon To Help You Transport Your Crop Faster!



Take Delivery Now! Jump on a REAL wagon



Richardton makes the best high dump wagons...bar none!

Series 700 In Stock

Load Capacity — 20,000 lbs @ 750 cu ft
Box Length — 12' • Dumping Angle — 45°
Dumping Clearance — 10' 9" • Dump Cycle — 1 Min

Series 750

Load Capacity — 30,000 lbs @ 1000 cu ft
Box Length — 15' • Dumping Angle — 45°
Dumping Clearance — 11' 5" • Dump Cycle — 1 Min

Series 770

Load Capacity — 30,000 lbs @ 1050 cu ft
Box Length — 15' • Dumping Angle — 48°
Dumping Clearance — 15' • Dump Cycle — 1 Min

Demand the best... Demand a Richardton Wagon!

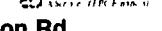
Available at your REAL Wagon dealer

We Also Offer Dump Wagons Designed For Vegetable Crop Harvesting (Beets etc.)



BINKLEY & HURST
Manufacturing Company
A UNITED DOMINION COMPANY

BINKLEY & HURST
BROS. INC.



133 Rothsville Station Rd.
P.O. Box 0395, Lititz, PA 17543-0395
(717) 626-4705 1-800-414-4705 Fax (717) 626-0996

Binkley & Hurst Bros. Offers Quality That Exceeds!

SOONER OR LATER YOU'LL CHOOSE A...



SUNFLOWER®

HUNDREDS OF YOUR NEIGHBORS ALREADY HAVE!

CHISEL PLOWS • LAND FINISHERS • COULTER RIPPERS • DISKS • FIELD CULTIVATORS

ASK ABOUT OUR 3 YEAR WARRANTIES

"We Guarantee It" Top Resale Value - Farm Auctions Prove It!



Model 1433 Tandem Disc Harrow

- Superb leveling
- 19' - 35' widths
- Walking tandem axles
- Single point depth stop setting
- 7-1/2" or 8-3/4" blade spacing



Model 4200 Trash Mulcher

- Working widths 9' - 29'
- Heaviest frames in the industry
- 1,750# point pressure (they go in)
- Subsoil shanks available
- Exceptional residue flow



Model 4010/4100 Coulter Ripper

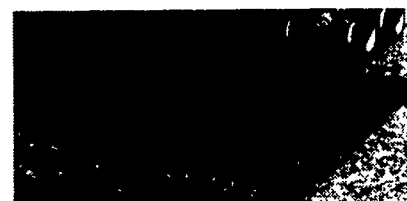
- 4 shank to 9 shank models
- Adjustable 24" to 30" spacing
- Hyd coulters
- Up to 6,000# point pressure
- 3 pt hitch models available

The King of the Field



Model 1233 Tandem Disc Harrow
Level Discing — We Guarantee It

- Maintenance-free lift system (no greasing)
- Outstanding residue and transport clearance
- Single point front-mounted depth control
- Scraper system mounted to C-Flex™-scrapers move with disc blades
- Adjustable front-mounted gauge wheels
- Hydraulically folds to narrow transport width
- Transport safety lighting - standard equipment
- Working widths from 18' through 32'
- Optional hydraulic leveling of disc from front-to-rear
- Automatic transport lock as wings are folded
- "Delta Special" package to protect gang and wheel seals
- 3-Year Limited Warranty



Series 6000 Land Finisher

- Transport as narrow as 12'4"
- Widths from 15' - 36'
- Precise leveling • Ideal finishing
- Options to meet your residue requirements

Need a No Till Drill? Look To Technology & Performance From

SUNFLOWER®

MODEL 9300 & 9400 DRILLS

Heavy Enough To Rouse Sod Fields



- ★ 7'-10'-15'-20'-25'-30'-40' Seeding Widths
- ★ No-Till Excellence Without Costly Coulters
- ★ End Wheel/3 Point/Folding Units
- ★ Super Duty Construction
- ★ Short-Coupled Design to Follow Field Contour For Consistent Depth Placement



See Binkley & Hurst Bros. Today!



Series 5000 Field Cultivator

- High Residue-flow machine
- Super duty construction
- 18' - 38' working widths
- 190# point pressure
- Unparalleled leveling tool

BINKLEY & HURST
BROS. INC.

133 Rothsville Station Rd.
P.O. Box 0395
Lititz, PA 17543-0395

(717) 626-4705
1-800-414-4705
Fax 717-626-0996
www.binkleyhurst.com



Farm Plan
A Service of FPC Financial