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Federal and State Export Certificate Customers:

Thank you for your participation in the Phytosanitary Certificate and Issuance Tracking (PCIT) program. PCIT has allowed us to not only contain costs but in many cases deliver Phytosanitary Certificates to you more quickly and efficiently. To further enhance the benefits offered by the program, beginning in January 2012 the San Luis Obispo County Department of Agriculture will implement a paperless billing program whereby the total phytosanitary fee will be deducted via the PCIT website. Currently you make deposits into the PCIT program for the Federal (USDA) portion of the Phytosanitary Certificate fee while the County fee is billed separately on a monthly basis. In the future all of the Phytosanitary Certificate fees will be deducted via PCIT at the time the certificate is issued. This new system will eliminate the need for separate invoices.

Starting in January, when you order a Phytosanitary Certificate you will either deposit the total fee into the PCIT system before your shipment is certified or simply maintain a balance to allow for multiple certificates. The current rate for a Federal Phytosanitary Certificate is \$66.00 per certificate (\$60.00 County fee and \$6.00 Federal fee). You will no longer receive a monthly paper billing statement from our department. In addition you will have the ability to view all of your billing information on the PCIT website. We hope you find these changes helpful and convenient.

If you have questions about this change, please contact Frank Focha at (805) 473-7095 or Julie Walters at (805) 473-7099.

Sincerely,

Janice Campbell
Deputy Agricultural Commissioner