Syngenta and Gavilon enhance grain marketing support for Agrisure Duracade™ in 2015

- “Right to Grow” program offers U.S. farmers corn rootworm control and a stewardship premium for Agrisure Duracade corn planted in 2015

- Farmers can grow the latest corn trait technology with support to appropriately steward and market grain through an expanded network of end-use locations

MINNETONKA, Minn., USA, September 12, 2014 – Syngenta announced today that it has renewed and enhanced its program with Gavilon Grain, LLC, to provide grain marketing opportunities for U.S. farmers who plant Agrisure Duracade™ in 2015. Agrisure Duracade is Syngenta’s cutting-edge corn rootworm (CRW) control technology approved in the U.S.

The “Right to Grow” program offers qualifying farmers a per unit stewardship premium for each bag of Agrisure Duracade corn planted in 2015. In addition, farmers will receive consultative services through Gavilon to help them appropriately steward and market their 2015 Agrisure Duracade grain at harvest through an extensive network of accepting destinations.

“Based on the success of our current program, we are improving it to give Agrisure Duracade growers even more marketing support in 2015,” said Chuck Lee, Syngenta head of corn in North America. “Growers with CRW pressure need this technology and we want to ensure they have access to it along with many options for marketing their grain.”

“We set out this year to demonstrate the supply chain is capable of expanding beyond the basic commodity model in marketing U.S. grains,” said Jim Anderson, chief operating officer at Gavilon. “We are succeeding and plan to grow our network of accepting locations.”

Gavilon will help connect qualifying growers with accepting elevators, feedlots, feed mills and other appropriate destinations. Also, designated Gavilon locations will accept grain containing Agrisure Duracade in 2015; however, farmers are not required to sell their grain to Gavilon. Many growers also have the option of on-farm feeding.

Chip Bowling, first vice president, and incoming president, of the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) said, “Growers need access to technology and markets, and Syngenta’s stewardship of Agrisure Duracade for two growing seasons
allows that to happen. NCGA worked with Syngenta, Gavilon and growers in 2014 in the ‘Right to Grow’ program and will continue to monitor, educate and preserve the integrity of the U.S. corn industry through the 2015 program and growing season.”

Agrisure Duracade is Syngenta’s next-generation CRW trait, offering the latest corn rootworm technology in the industry in two trait stack options for above- and below-ground insect control. Agrisure Duracade technology features the industry's first hybrid Bt protein and is only available stacked with a second corn rootworm mode of action for technology preservation.

For more information about Agrisure Duracade and the “Right to Grow” program from Syngenta and Gavilon, visit www.agrisureduracade.com.

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