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To Whom It May Concern,

The Entomological Society of America (ESA) is very pleased to see several entomologists represented on the candidates list and continues to support our nominees, Jeffrey Scott and Emily-Jean Fuerst, as well as the candidacies of Art Appel, Jerome Hogsette, Weste Osbrink, Mike Rust, and Larisa Vredevoe.

The inclusion of entomologists on Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) is critical for providing a necessary perspective and thoughtful recommendations regarding insecticides, and in particular those which may be used where people live and work. As invertebrates and our management of them continue to influence biodiversity, food security, and public safety, it is vital that entomologists familiar with these intersectional concerns play a continued role in advising pesticide policy.

ESA, the largest organization in the world serving the professional and scientific needs of nearly 7,000 entomologists and individuals in related disciplines, believes these distinguished scientists would make excellent additions to FIFRA SAP, and we encourage you to strongly consider their nominations and utilize their experience and expertise.

Sincerely,

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