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NEWS RELEASE

ROUNDUP READY 2 XTEND™ SOYBEANS GAIN EUROPEAN UNION (EU) IMPORT APPROVAL

Approval allows Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ Soybeans to be imported for food/feed use in the European Union

(Winnipeg, MB – July 22, 2016) - Monsanto Company announced today that the European Commission has granted import approval for Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ soybeans. This milestone allows for the import and food/feed use of Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ soybeans into the European Union (EU).

The European Commission's approval follows Monsanto's February announcement of Chinese import approval. With both the EU and Chinese import approvals now secured, plus Canadian regulatory approvals granted for Roundup Xtend™ with VaporGrip® Technology (a low-volatility pre-mix of glyphosate and dicamba) and XtendiMax® herbicide with VaporGrip® Technology (a low-volatility dicamba formulation developed for use in the Roundup Ready® Xtend Crop System, Canadian growers can now look forward to a full system launch in 2017.

“We continue to see great interest and demand from growers for Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ soybeans,” says Dan Wright, Canada Trait Launch Lead. “Farmers are telling us they want the benefits of the full Roundup Ready® Xtend Crop System, including over-the-top use of dicamba and glyphosate. After a decade of work, we're excited to give growers this opportunity to continue to maximize their yields with these weed management recommendations.”

Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ is Monsanto's newest soybean platform that includes tolerance to dicamba. This new dicamba-tolerant trait is stacked with the current Genuity® Roundup Ready 2 Yield® soybean trait technology, which offers farmers the highest yield opportunity with more beans per pod and more

bushels per acre. In Canada, Roundup Ready 2 Xtend™ soybeans are expected to be available in more than 65 varieties across three maturity groups, covering key soybean growing regions of Southwest Ontario; Eastern Ontario and Quebec; and Western Canada.

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Headquartered in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Monsanto Canada Inc. is part of the larger global Monsanto Company. Monsanto is an agricultural company committed to bringing a broad range of solutions to help nourish our growing world. We produce a variety of seeds ranging from fruits and vegetables to key crops – such as corn, soybeans, canola and cotton – that help farmers produce abundant and nutritious food. We work to find sustainable agriculture solutions that help farmers conserve natural resources, use data to improve farming practices, use water and other important resources more efficiently, and protect their crops from pests and disease. Through programs and partnerships, we collaborate with farmers, researchers, nonprofit organizations, universities and others to help tackle some of the world's biggest challenges.

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