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Dear Feed Mill Operators:

You are receiving the Illinois Department of Agriculture Mycotoxin Survey results. We are sending the survey results to all feed mill operators to share this important information. This survey shows the levels of aflatoxin, fumonisin, and vomitoxin that have been found from the 2010 harvest. As you can see, the aflatoxin and vomitoxin detection levels were very low this year. On the other hand, fumonisin levels were higher. It is recommended that if the survey shows that levels of aflatoxin, fumonisin, or vomitoxin that have been found in your area might cause injury to the different livestock groups listed, that you test all corn used for animal feed for the toxins. In past years, we had reports of horses dying because of high fumonisin rates in the horse feed. If running mycotoxin tests on corn for these feed rations can prevent these animal deaths, the better for everyone involved.

Sincerely,

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