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Dear Certified Operation:

Oregon Tilth has made adjustments to the fee schedule that reflect the current state of our financial plan and goals. These changes are effective February 1, 2011.

In summary they are:

All Farms will be charged the cost of inspection, which includes a fee and expenses. Oregon farms will no longer receive the flat fee, but instead be charged what all farms certified by Oregon Tilth are charged, regardless of the location. Oregon Tilth has been a world wide certifier for many years and this change ensures every certified entity is treated the same.

Any certified operation that cancels an inspection with less than two weeks notice will be charged expenses associated with the scheduling of that inspection.

OTCO will charge a $25 fee for corrections to transaction certificates resulting from erroneous information provided by the certified operation.

Handling operations will be charged a first year flat fee of $1000, which is also the minimum annual certification fee for all handling operations. The maximum annual certification fee for handling operations was increased.

All domestic applicants and renewing operations, regardless of category (crop, livestock or handling), will provide a $200 deposit towards inspection expenses. This reflects a decrease for handling operations and no change for crop/livestock operations. International inspections may require a higher deposit prior to scheduling inspection.

If you have any questions please contact me directly at 503-566-3024. If you would like a full copy of the fee schedule you can download it from the Oregon Tilth website, www.tilth.org or contact the office at 503-378-0690.

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