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Happy Monday All !!!

There's some serious water standing in a few spots but we'll take it. Wow....Some beautiful rains.

******I did not** see a Saturday PM or Sunday-EMail referencing the very welcomed & anticipated "**Code-A-Phone**" [[616-632-7868](tel:6166327868)] **Message** that MSU-Amy did aprx 1 pm Sa.... Saying That Primary is over...??? Amy said she is almost completely sure that Primary is now over...as of Saturday 1 pm. HooRay for Our Side !!!

Stay very tuned as Amy will be commenting more on this issue very promptly I'm sure.

******Any of you Guys** that are unfortunately having to deal with some Secondary Scab...??? Be sure to run some RidgeRunner with your 5Lb-Ac.-Captan80 WDG..... RidgeRunner has the pH-Reducer-Element in it that all Captan Products need, and also a BigDose of Spreader-Sticker.... Use 1 Qt.-per-100-Gallon of Tank-Mix. If you have a Drum of something on the Rack that does the pH-Reducer-Job, then use InSpray-90 or NuFilm 17 or Lastick with it.

Hopefully that Drum is Indicate 5??? But if not....If it is anything you have been trusting for safe pH-Reduction in Foliar Applns, it should be fine with our InSpray-90 and the Captans.

******A Couple** Questions for Clarification....Yes.... As I mentioned a couple days back...Our "Ethephon" is called "**Motivate**"made by "FineAmericas". Yes--**Made in USA**. Yes---At one time we were at 50% - 60% less cost to you when compared to down the Street for Ethrel Now I understand that they have come down a bit on their Retail Levels.

******And Yup....**Our **Refine 3.5SG NAA** is the same **4 oz--100gal==10PPM** as the *Fruitones* and *Pomoxa*.... To the best of my knowledge, there isnt any NAA product labeled for Apples in Michigan that has a different PPM Calculation than ours....???If you know of one please reply on this...??

And Yes....Based on Feed Back-Info from several of You....Most everyone else Retailing NAA is still **35%** higher in Retail-Levels than we areAnd Its very **Easy to do the Math** on that because its all the same OZ-to-OZ-to-OZ Calculation. Let me know if I'm wrong...??? They may very well have lowered their Retails by now...??? ... **1 PPM should not cost you over \$1.47**

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******Blues Boys** have Anthracnose and Alternaria to be concerned with, as well as some on-going Canker issues In the E-154, ***Abound** is rated "E" on Anthracnose....Not really to great on other problems.... When considering any of the Biologicals, the ***Regalia** has looked better than any others....

Never ever would I use a \$65-Ac-aliette....Its just only a FoliarPhosPhite without the Potassium. For a Highly-Systemic-High-Performance Real-Deal-Disease-Control FoliarPhosPhite with a EPA-Registered Label, look at **K-Phite 7LP Systemic Bactericide/Fungicide**....Labeled for virtually AllCrops and virtually all the Bacterial and Fungal Diseases.... This Phite is made the exact same way with the same best Ingredients as my **RidgeFormula II-SW**, difference being my II-SW has SeaWeed in it, and has a "Nutritional" Label...not a EPA Disease Control Label.

We have your very best Deal on all of the above.

******Cherry Guys**---Brown Rot---The MSU-E-154 says Indar has tested the Best[e]---Use 6-12 oz-Ac.= \$13 - \$26/Ac...Allowed 48 oz.-per-Season....The only others rated *almost as good* are LunaSensation--*5.5 oz-Ac.= \$33* and Merivon4.17SC--*6 oz.Ac.= \$38*, which are both rated **g/e**...

That EPA 24[c] "Special Local Need Reg'n" allowing for the 12 oz use-rate-Indar 2F is good thru May 12 - 2019

******Alicandro** says to get your 3rd VitaZyme on now..... Your 1st App was Pink -- Your 2nd App was Petal Fall.... Again now--Anytime like 1st Cover to 2nd Cover..... and then Plan on another - 4th Cover VZyme - about 10 - 20 Days before Harvest. For Blues and Apples and StoneFruit and Grapes and Vegies and RowCrops... This VitaZyme works so Huge for so Cheap.

Jeff also reminds us of his NewYork *2017 Wayne County FruitGrower Tour*Wednesday--Aug. 2 -- Always the 1st Wednesday in August. His "Hood" is only a 9-10 hour drive right straight east of here...thru Ontario.

Best Regardsr