

Canadian fruit growers ask federal government to block Arctic Apple

The Fruit Growers Association in British Columbia, Canada has asked two federal ministers to impose moratorium on the genetically-modified Arctic Apple, even as it approaches regulatory approval in the U.S.

The BCFGA wrote to Health Minister Rona Ambrose and Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz requesting that the Canadian regulatory process for the Arctic Apple be suspended.

“Our concern is the negative publicity for apples in general caused by the controversy over this GM apple,” said Jeet Dukhia, BCFGA president, citing concerns over the damage the apple could do to apple marketing. “The public thinks of apples as a pure, natural, healthy and nutritional fruit. GM apples are a risk to our market image.”

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