## GMO AquAdvantage salmon labeling questions resurface

AquaBounty Technologies, creator of the first-ever salmon genetically engineered for commercial production, doesn't have to notify Canadian buyers that its fish is genetically engineered, but it is considering doing so....

The....Maynard, Massachusetts-based company, with indoor grow-out facilities both in....Albany, Indiana, and also the Canadian community of Rollo Bay in Prince Edward Island, is about to begin commercial production of AquaAdvantage salmon....[and the fish] is expected to hit the Canadian market by the third quarter of 2020.

After a four-year study, Health Canada declared, in May 2016, that AquaBounty's salmon is "safe and nutritious" and therefore no labeling is required. However, the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), in December, <u>issued proposed guidelines</u> that would have genetically engineered foods called "bioengineered"....

Dave Conley, AquaBounty's director of corporate communications [said] his company [is] now trying to sort out what would be required to comply with the USDA's guidance but could be inclined to maintain the same approach in both countries.

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However, Lucy Sharrat, a coordinator at the Canadian Biotechnology Action Network, also in Halifax, said on the program that she doesn't expect AquaBounty to follow through on any clear labeling.

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