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MEMORANDUM

To: Florida Producers of orange jasmine (*Murraya paniculata*)

From: Richard A. Clark, Chief

Subject: Notice of Intent to Add Orange jasmine to the Citrus Greening Host List

As a follow up to the notice addressed to all Florida Nurserymen dated March 2007, the Division of Plant Industry will now move forward to place orange jasmine, *Murraya paniculata* on the list of plants that serve as a host for citrus greening. This action is necessary due to recent research findings presented to both the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the United States Department of Agriculture that demonstrates orange jasmine is capable of serving as a host for the citrus greening disease.

The result of adding orange jasmine to the Citrus Greening Host List will mean that all orange jasmine must be grown in a screen house structure designed to exclude the Asian citrus psyllid. These screened structures must be approved by the Division of Plant Industry.

The Division of Plant Industry will allow growers and distributors of orange jasmine until December 31, 2007 to liquidate any current inventories of orange jasmine. After that time, the production of orange jasmine in unapproved structures will be prohibited.

For information concerning requirements for approved screen house structures, interested parties should call Mr. Richard A. Clark or Mr. Tyson Emery at (352) 372-3505.