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GENETIC ID EUROPE RECEIVES PERFECT SCORES IN ISTA GMO PROFICIENCY TEST

Augsburg, Germany, June 30, 2004—The International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) has announced in a preliminary summary report that Genetic ID Europe’s laboratory in Augsburg, Germany achieved a perfect score in ISTA’s 3rd Proficiency Test on GMO Testing. ISTA sent twelve samples of conventional corn that contained varying amounts of genetically modified corn to fifty different GMO testing laboratories throughout Europe. Genetic ID’s Augsburg laboratory correctly reported the presence or absence of GM corn in all twelve of the ISTA samples, and also correctly classified the quantity of GM corn present in each sample .

“We are very pleased with our laboratory’s perfect performance on the ISTA test,” said Dr. Jochen Zoller, CEO of Genetic ID Europe. “The demand for our GMO testing services is growing dramatically as food and feed companies implement their programs for compliance with the new EU GMO regulations. The ISTA test gives our customers further assurance that our GMO testing is precise, reliable and can be used with confidence in a non-GMO IP program.”

The first Genetic ID laboratory, which was also the first commercial GMO testing lab in the world, was founded by Dr. John Fagan in 1996 in the U.S. The company’s GMO testing methods are used throughout the world by Genetic ID’s Global Laboratory Alliance[®] members, including the company’s Augsburg and Japan laboratories as well as government and commercial laboratories in Brazil, China, Singapore, Taiwan, India, United Kingdom, South Korea, the U.S. and Italy.

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