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<u>IMPORTANT INFORMATION – RETAIN WITH YOUR TAX PAPERS</u>

October 10, 2019

Dear Golden Growers Member:

On September 12th, the Golden Growers Board of Directors approved a distribution of \$2,168,667 or \$0.14/Unit to members of record as of October 1, 2019. Total 2018 allocated income was \$7,811,471 or roughly \$0.504/bushel. In combination with the February and June distributions, a total of \$6,691,887 has been issued to members in 2019. Of this amount, allocated income for 2017 of \$2,259,218 and allocated income of \$4,432,669 for 2018 has been retired.

As previously mentioned, the GGC Board believes it is important to build a reserve during the course of this new lease for several reasons that include likely capital expenditures at the plant, and the potential for Cargill to exercise its option to purchase 50% interest in ProGold.

This distribution authorized by the Board will result in a remaining equity credit balance for 2018 of \$3,378,802.

With this payment, Golden Growers has issued payments to members totaling \$109,735,715 or 203.32% of original investment in the ProGold plant.

Because this payment is to retire previously allocated income, the payment is typically not taxable. However, Golden Growers is not qualified to provide, and this letter does not constitute, tax advice. Please contact a qualified tax advisor with any questions about tax documents or the tax effect of payments from or charges you incur from Golden Growers. Retain this letter with your tax papers and share it with your tax advisor.

Best regards,

Scott B. Stofferahn
Executive Vice President

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Golden Growers Cooperative Automated Clearing House (ACH) Authorization Form

Electronic Credit/Debit Authorization Form

I (we) hereby authorize **GOLDEN GROWERS COOPERATIVE** to initiate *electronic* entries to my (our) checking/savings accounts at the financial institution listed below (THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION), and, if necessary, initiate adjustments for any transactions credited/debited in error. This authority will remain in effect GOLDEN GROWERS COOPERATIVE is notified by me (us) in writing to cancel it in such time as to afford GOLDEN GROWERS COOPRATIVE and THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION a reasonable opportunity to act on the request.

Golden Growers Member Information Member Number Golden Growers Member Name Golden Growers Member Address Member Phone City, State & Zip Member Email Authorized Member Name (print) Authorized Member Signature Signature Date **Financial Institution Information** Name of Financial Institution Phone Number Address of Financial Institution - Branch City, State, & Zip Name on Checking/Savings Account: Financial Institution Routing Number: Checking/Savings Account Number:

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