American Pecan Council

c/o Southeast Marketing Field Office

Marketing Order and Agreement Division

1124 First Street South

Winter Haven, Florida 33880

**GROWER NOMINATION FORM**

**PROPOSED CANDIDATE TO BE INCLUDED ON THE**

**AMERICAN PECAN COUNCIL GROWER NOMINATION BALLOT**

Each region shall be represented by three grower seats on the Council. Two seats shall be allocated to growers whose acreage is equal to or exceeds 176 pecan acres and one grower seat allocated to a grower whose acreage is less than 176 pecan acres. Proposed candidates will be listed on the nomination ballot sent to growers.

**Eastern Region** consists of: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina

**Central Region** consists of: Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas

**Western Region** consists of: Arizona, California, New Mexico

If a grower is engaged in producing pecans in more than one region, such grower shall nominate in the region in which they grow the largest volume of their production.

The undersigned are eligible to submit nominations pursuant to section 986.46 of Marketing Order No. 986 (Order), and hereby petition the American Pecan Council (Council) to include on the nominating ballot the name of:

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**NAME OF GROWER NOMINEE (as should appear on the ballot) EMAIL PHONE**

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**ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE**

as a candidate for the position of Grower Member to represent the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Region for the 2016-2020 term of office as set forth in the Order.

Grower nominee farms pecan acreage 🞏 equal to or exceeding 176 acres or 🞏 less than 176 acres (check one).

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| **GROWER’S NAME** **(print clearly)** | **SIGNATURE\*** | **ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL** |
| (nominator) |  |  |
| (supporter) |  |  |
| (supporter) |  |  |

**\*Signature certifies that I have a proprietary interest in 30 acres or more of pecans or produce an annual average of at least 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans and I am a grower in the region of which I am nominating or supporting a nomination.**

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**THIS PETITION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 IN ORDER TO BE VALID.**

Please mail the completed form to:

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