## **United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Marketing Service** OFFICIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT

## Peanut Promotion, Research, and **Information Order**

To be counted, completed ballots must be postmarked by Month xx, 20xx. Ballots sent via express mail must show proof of shipment by no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on Month xx, 20xx.

NOTE: Only one vote will be counted for each eligible producer. Incomplete ballots may be INVALID and may not be counted in the referendum.

## I. ELIGIBILITY

I am a Peanut Producer and I was subject to assessments on peanuts

produced during the period of Month xx, 20xx, through Month xx, 20xx. YES NO USDA may request documentation to verify your eligibility. II. VOTE Instructions: Mark one box only. Do you favor the continuance of the Peanut Promotion, **Research, and Information Order? YES** 1□11 NO  $\square_1$ III. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE ALL BALLOTS MUST BE SIGNED BELOW IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED. I **CERTIFY** that the information contained on this ballot is true, complete, and correct to the

best of my knowledge and belief, and is made in good faith. If this ballot is being cast on behalf of any group of individuals, partnership, corporation, or other business entity engaged in the production of peanuts, I also CERTIFY that I have the authority to cast this ballot and will submit evidence thereof if so requested by the Referendum Agent.

SIGNATURE	DATE
COMPANY NAME	BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO.

## IV. MAILING

Return ballot in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope.

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