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ASABE REVISES DATA DOCUMENT FOR CALCULATING MOISTURE CONTENT OF STORED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has completed a revision to its data standard on moisture content of plant-based agricultural and biological products, a document used extensively by engineers and others to determine postharvest drying and storage strategies.

The revised standard, ASAE D245.7, Moisture Relationships of Plant-Based Agricultural Products, includes updated values, editorial and formatting changes to equations for better readability and user accuracy, and the general correction of minor errors.

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