

Aligning the Food System for Food Safety In Food Waste Solutions

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Our Vision: Solving the “40% of Food gets Wasted” Problem



CSS Value Proposition



H2H

- **Supermarkets** will continue to create inedible food waste
- **Enzyme digestion** is the best “new life” conversion solution
- **Farms** want soil organic matter, increased productivity, reduced costs
- **For the environment** organics recycling, reducing chemical runoff, efficient water use, GHG reduction, carbon sequestration



Fresh Food Waste

produce – meat – fish – deli – bakery



1 supermarket, 1 day = 1 acre for 1 year



Harvest to Harvest “H2H™”

Scientifically Sustainable, Patented 3 Hour Process



H2H Organic 1-0-0
H2H Organic 3-2-1



Blended for Applications

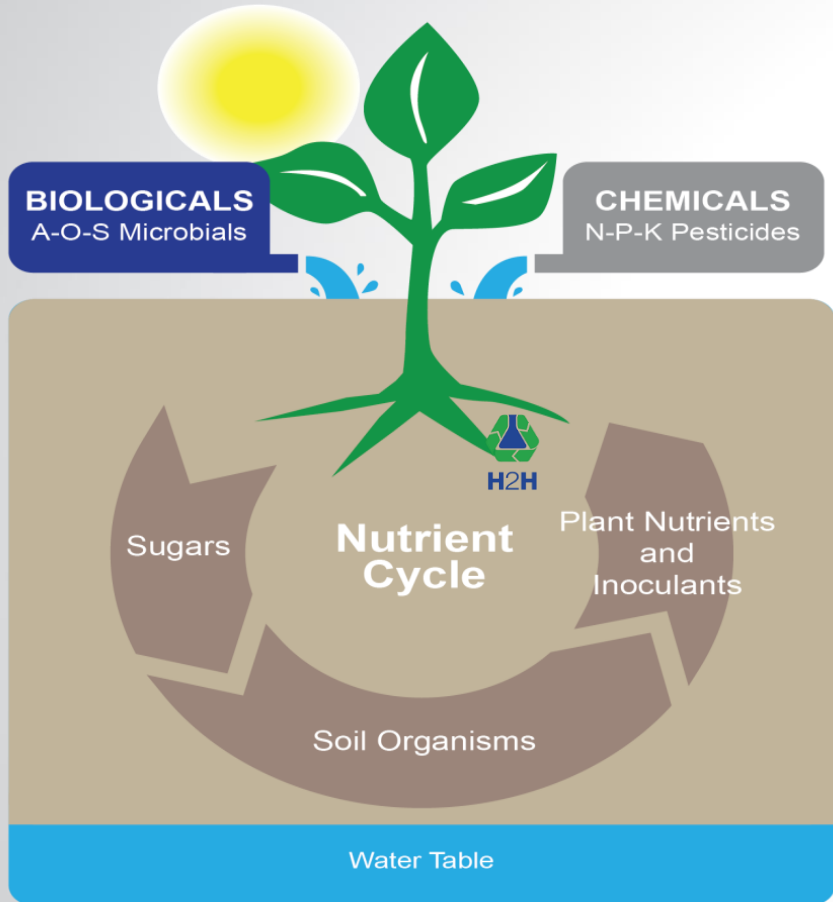
H2H Standard Blend 1-1-0
H2H Special Blend 3-1-0
H2H Basic Blend 6-1-0
H2H Transplant Blend 7-23-0



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How does work?

H2H



H2H is enzyme-digested food:

- Amino acids
- Organic acids
- Simple sugars

These “Building Blocks” of Life:

- Stimulate growth of soil organisms
- Plants respond
 - Root growth, Stress tolerance
 - Increased nutrient and water use efficiency
 - More flowering and fruiting



Technology Development – Food Safety

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A new method for converting foodwaste into pathogen free soil amendment for enhancing agricultural sustainability

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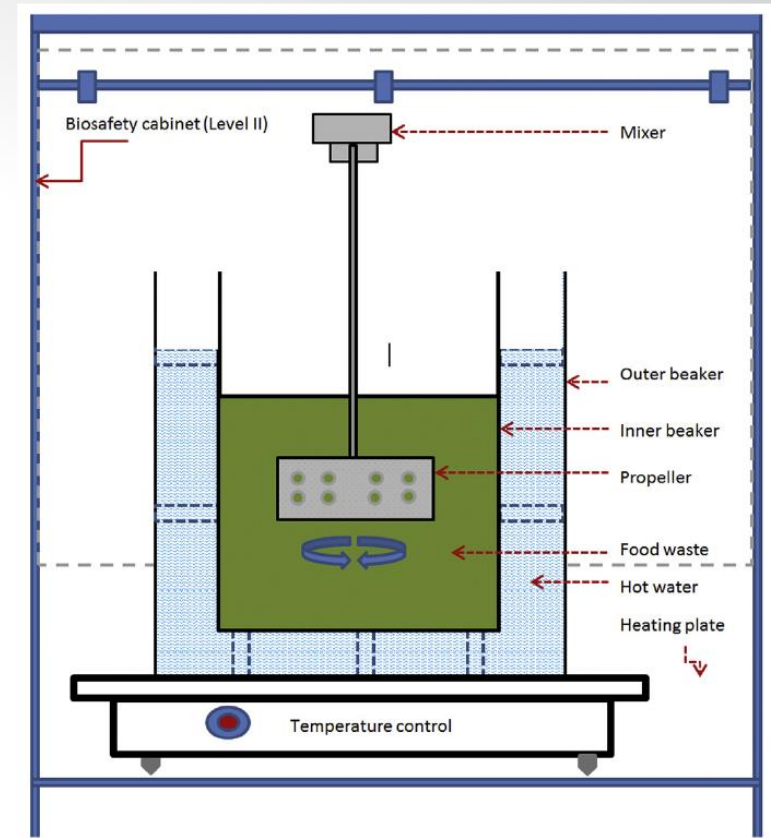


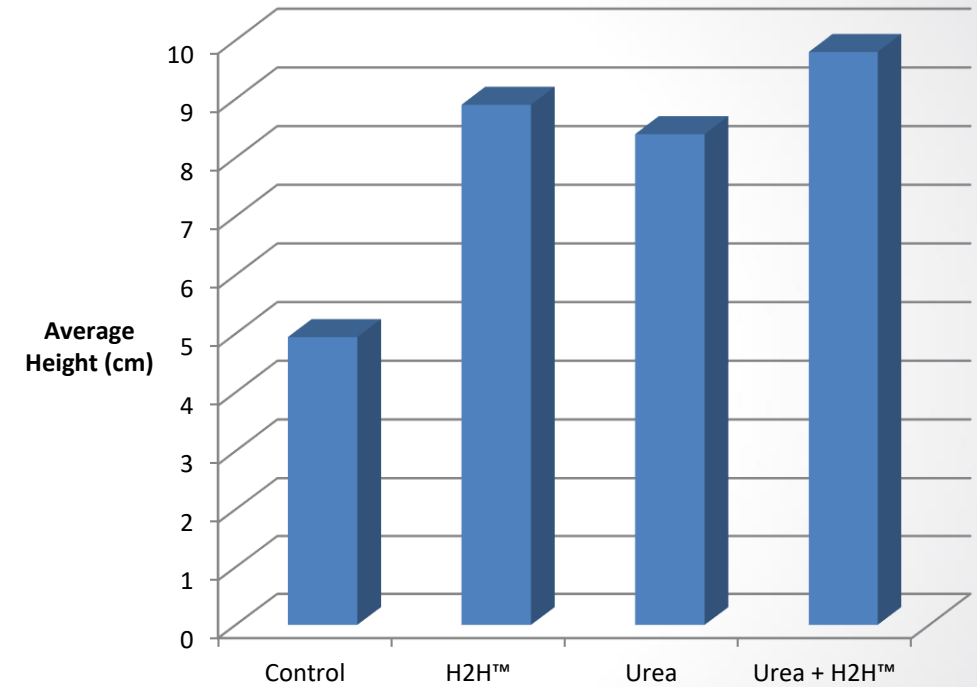
Fig. 2. Schematics of bench-scale experiment.

Challenge (inoculation) study shows patented process eliminates

- *E. coli* O157:H7
- *Listeria monocytogenes*
- *Salmonella*



Initial Research at UC Davis: Results on Tomatoes

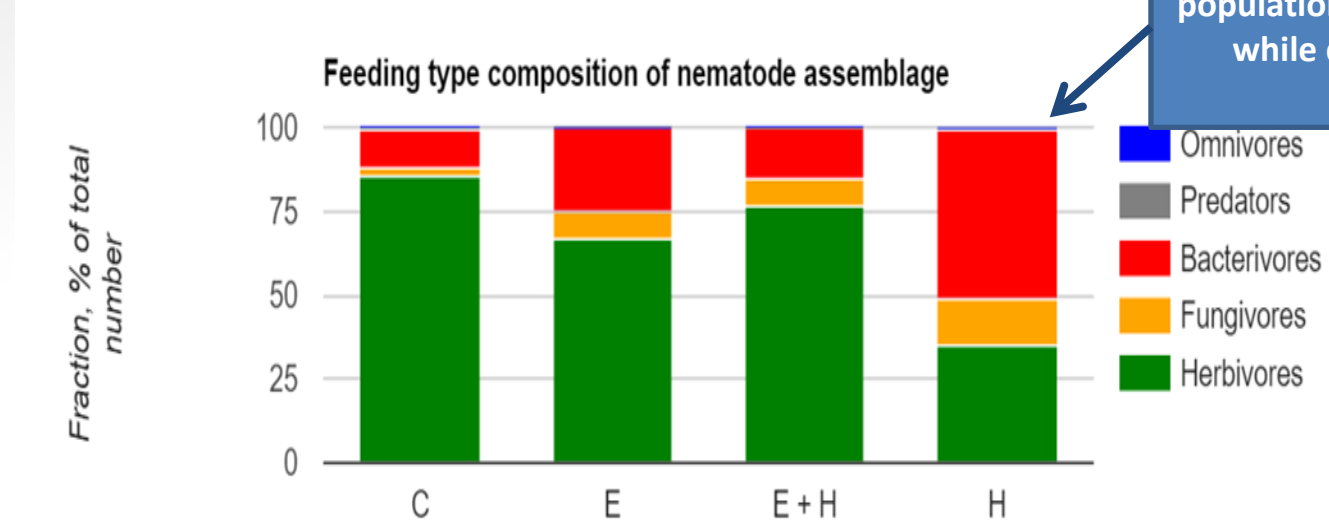


*Control is no fertilizer; H2H™ is our food hydrolysate; Urea is a common chemical fertilizer. Research performed in the lab of Dr. Edwin Lewis, University of California at Davis, 11/11.



Product Development: Field Research Trials

Tomato



H2H Treatment increased the population of beneficial nematodes while decreasing pathogenic nematodes



H2H treated:
Reduced galling
Increased Yield

- Increased populations of beneficial nematodes

Strawberry



- Increased soil respiration
- Increased root hair development
- Improved salinity tolerance
- Increased yields



Product Development: Commercial Research Trials



WITHOUT H2H



WITH H2H



Strategic Partnering

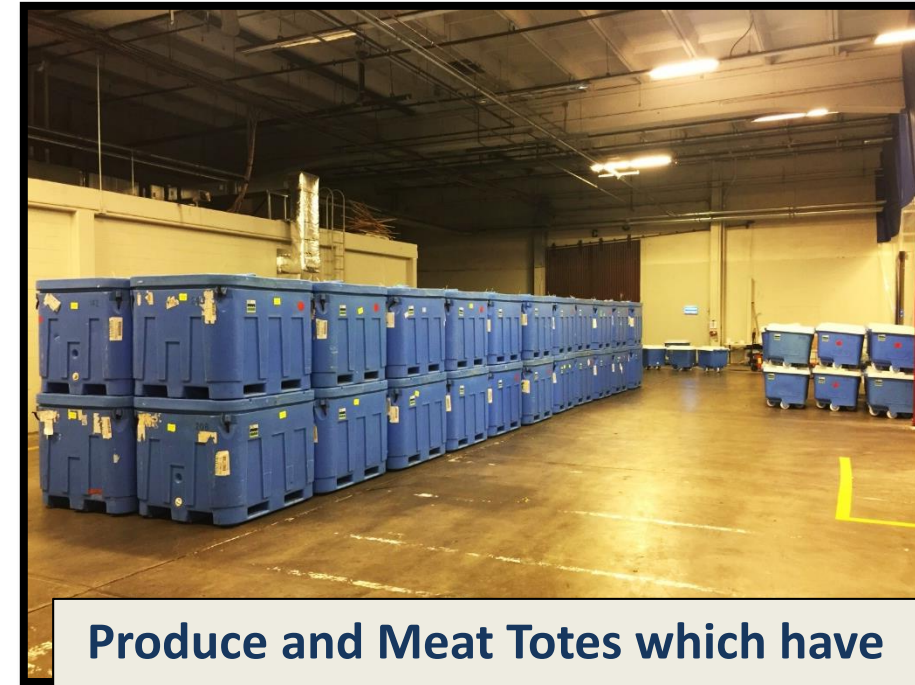


The
SAVE MART
COMPANIES



Golden1 CENTER
Credit Union

- Agreements with CSS for organic waste services
- Coordinate on collection and centralized transfers
- Preserve the “cold chain” for highest product quality
- Improve store cleanliness with more frequent pickups



**Produce and Meat Totes which have
been loaded by grocery stores**



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CSS Commercial Process Facility – McClellan, CA

Line 1: Commissioned 2016

- Current 8000 Ton/yr intake capacity (Line 1)
- Manual sorting of organics for metal and plastics
- Inspected annually by CDFA, EMD, SRCSD, others
- Continual process improvements with growth
 - Byproduct management and valorization
 - Product consistency and diversity
 - Food safety and hygiene
 - Material handling



Food Safety Program Development



Food safety management program, Leafy Greens Marketing Association (LGMA) compliant

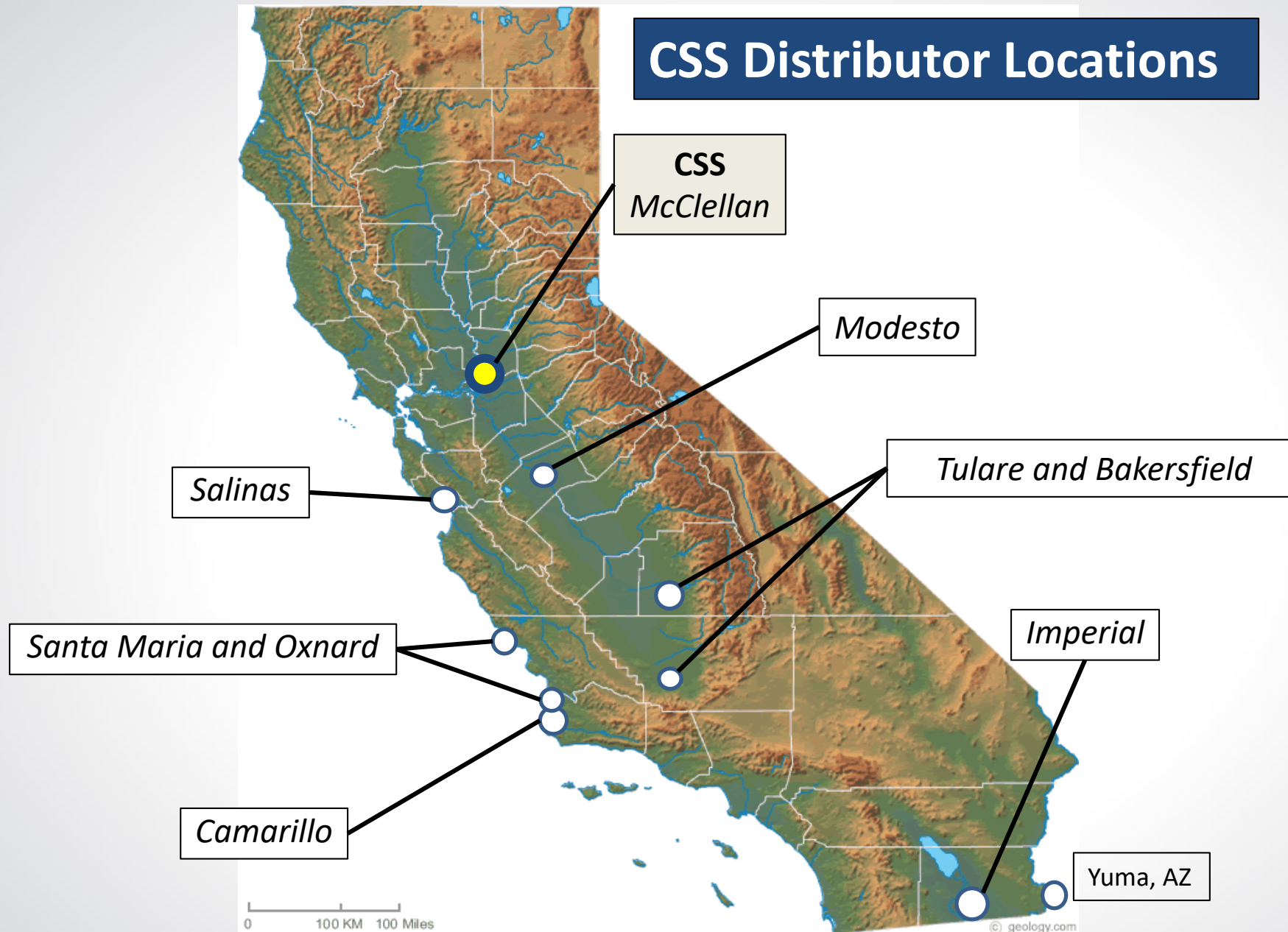
➤ 3rd party pathogen testing on all lots

- *E. coli O157:H7*
- *Enterohemorrhagic E. coli (EHEC)*
- *Listeria monocytogenes*
- *Salmonella*
- *Fecal coliform*



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CSS Distributor Locations



H2H Animal Feed Research - Pigs

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Enzymatic digestion turns food waste into feed for growing pigs

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H2H and byproducts contain
ideal nutrient and amino
acid profiles for growing pigs



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H2H Animal Feed Research - Chickens

ENZYMATICALLY DIGESTED FOOD WASTE AS SUPPLEMENT IN BROILER FEED

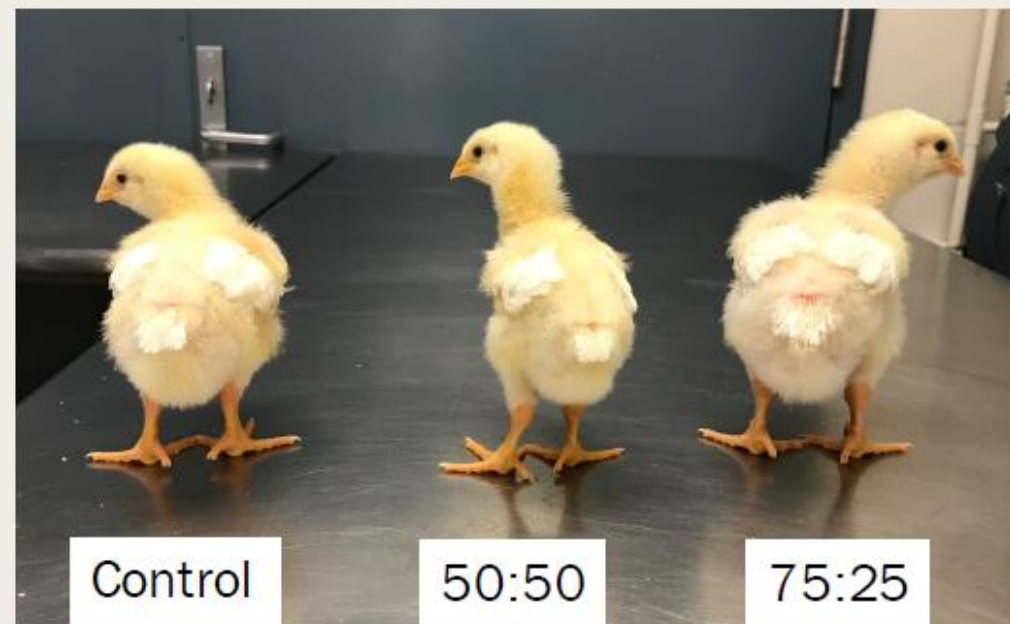
Linda Truong, Dan Morash, Annie King

2 week feeding trial

- 423 birds total, 25% and 50% dried H2H inclusion rates
- First 2 weeks (brooding period) are critical in determining outcome of birds (Henrique 2015, Klasing 2017)
- First 72-96 hours after hatch determine appetite (Amro 2016)



Unpublished data (Linda Truong and Dr. Annie J. King) 7/16/2018



Day 11

15-20% increase in body
weight over control by Day 11



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H2H Feed – KDC Ag Licensee: Drum Dryer Installation

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