DISTRIBUTION POLICY

AND

DISTRIBUTION PLAN

For advanced Hybrid Chestnut Materials from

The American Chestnut Foundation (TACF)

The distribution of advanced hybrid seeds and seedlings of American chestnut will follow the policy hereby presented and with the approval of an annual Distribution Plan which will be voted on by the Board of Directors of TACF.

POLICY

Distribution Sub-Committee of the Restoration Committee shall have the primary responsibility of developing the Distribution Plan. Membership in the sub-committee shall be determined as follows:

I: The Chair of the Distribution Sub-Committee shall be the Chair of the Restoration Committee. Additional members of the Distribution Sub-Committee shall be: the Chair of the Board, the CEO/President, the Vice-Chairman for Development; the Vice-Chairman for Science; the Manager of Meadowview Farms, and three members selected at large by the Chair of the Distribution Sub-Committee.

II: At least one member of the Distribution Sub-Committee selected by the Chair of the Committee should be a representative of the state chapters.

Materials to be covered by this policy.

1. This distribution Policy applies to all BC3F3, BC4F3, BC3F4, BC4F4 and further similar generations of chestnut seed or seedlings produced by TACF, its cooperators and contractors, and the state chapters of TACF, their cooperators and contractors, prior to release to the general public.

2. All seeds and seedlings specified in (1) above are the property of TACF. All such material is subject to a signed germplasm agreement, contract, or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or other similar agreement.

3. When materials specified in (1) above are referenced in any way, the trademark TACF will apply. This trademark will be registered.

Distribution:

1. Priorities will be ranked as follows:

 Internal TACF research and breeding purposes

 Contractual commitments to outside partners and cooperators

 CEO/President for a) discretionary and strategic use and b) for general

 membership distribution.

2. The Distribution Committee must approve all distribution plans of chapters for materials described in (1) above under Materials generated by their breeding programs.

3. Distribution should be consistent with the following guidelines.

 a) Any recipient of materials described in Materials (1) must be a member or cooperator of TACF

 b) Seniority (longevity of membership) should be one of the factors in the

 determination of who receives materials described in Materials (1).

 c) Recipients of materials described in Materials (1) above must agree to keep records concerning the growth

 (height and diameter breast height) and survival, and report to TACF after the

 first year, the third year and every fifth year thereafter.

 d) The distribution of seeds from TACF should be used to increase the awareness

 of the mission of TACF.

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