

**U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council  
MEMO**

To: Industry Members  
Date: April 26, 2010  
Re: USHBC State Council Member Ballots

Enclosed for your reference is a copy of the U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council (USHBC) State Council Member Election Ballot for your state.

Members of the cultivated blueberry industry in the state of Michigan are being asked to select representatives to fill the state council member and alternate position of the Blueberry Promotion, Research and Information Order (U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council). As you will note, space is also made available on the ballot for write-in candidates. Eligible voters are those who produced 2,000 pounds or more of cultivated blueberries in the United States during the period of January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009.

Voting begins April 26, 2010 and continues for a 36-day period ending on June 1, 2010. All completed ballots must arrive at the USHBC office by close of business on June 1, 2010. Please contact the USHBC office at (916) 983-0111 with any questions you may have concerning this election procedure. Those elected to state council member positions will serve a three-year term starting in 2011 and are allowed to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Please note that USHBC programs are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, and marital or family status. It is USHBC policy that membership on the Council and its committees reflect the diversity of individuals served by its programs. To accomplish this objective, the USHBC will strive to attain representation of growers and other industry participants from diverse backgrounds on the Council and USHBC committees. To this end, the USHBC strongly encourages women, minorities and persons with disabilities to seek nominations to the USHBC and to participate in Council and USHBC committee activities.