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## Stay at home orders and the Green Industry

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Hello Everyone,

Under NCDA rules, Green Industry is considered a critical industry. Employees of these businesses should be considered essential during a stay at home order. I'm advising employers to have letters ready for their employees should stay at home orders be put in place.

NCNLA sent a template out, and I have been permitted to share it. Please find it attached below.

## NCDA Website states:

Is agriculture considered a critical industry?

- Employees engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary to agricultural production and distribution
- Agriculture workers supporting the green industry to include nursery operations, garden centers, landscape and maintenance companies critical to the environmental and physical living conditions necessary in our communities.

http://www.ncagr.gov/disaster/documents/COVID-19.htm

Please let me know how I can help you! I'm here for you and our clients.

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