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Wendy Pline was born on October 2, 1974 in Lansing, Michigan. She grew up on her family farm in St. Johns, Michigan. After graduating from St. Johns high school in 1993, Wendy won a Distinguished Agriculture and Natural Resources scholarship to attend Michigan State University. While at MSU, Wendy was very active in FFA, Agronomy club as well as traveling to Siberia, Russia for a Samantha Smith agricultural intern program for one summer. She graduated from MSU in 1997 with a B.S. in Crop and Soil Sciences. In August 1997, Wendy started a M.S. program under a Cunningham fellowship in Weed Science at Virginia Tech. While at Virginia Tech, she was a member of the 3rd place Weed team at the NEWSS weed contest as well as winning a William T. Steele graduate student scholarship. She completed all requirements for an M.S. degree in April 1999 under the guidance of Dr. Kriton Hatzios. Wendy is currently employed with Dow Agrosiences as a summer intern in Minnesota, and plans to start a Ph.D. in Weed Science in the fall of 1999 at North Carolina State University.