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1. Committed significant resources to the testing and development of new inbred corn lines specifically to produce organic hybrids
2. Tested all inbred corn seed for the presence of GMOs
3. Contracted the production of organic hybrid corn seed with experienced organic seed growers who do not have “parallel” production of GMO hybrids
4. Isolated organic seed corn production fields geographically
5. Isolated organic seed corn production fields by timing the pollination to not coincide with regular field corn pollination in the area
6. Walked and rogued (removed) off-type plants from seed production fields
7. All handling equipment and transportation must be dedicated organic or non-GMO production
8. Processed the organic seed corn in plants dedicated to organic and non-gmo seed corn production
9. Tested the resulting hybrid seed for the presence of GMOs

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