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- (54) **RASPBERRY PLANT NAMED ‘GLEAM’**
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

This invention relates to a new and distinct everbearing variety of raspberry plant named ‘GLEAM’. The new variety is primarily adapted to the growing conditions of the central coast of California and is characterized by the following: early primocane production with medium to large sized fruit of light-red coloration. Fruit is of consistent conic shape, releases easily from receptacle and is of very good flavor. Foliage is strongly concave, medium green; possessing weak rugosity and mostly 3 foliate. Primocanes have an absent or very weak waxy coat, medium thorn density and have very weak anthocyanin coloration.

**4 Drawing Sheets**

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Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed:  
*Rubus idaeus*.

Variety denomination: ‘GLEAM’.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention relates to a new and distinct fall bearing raspberry variety designated as ‘GLEAM’. This new variety is a result of a controlled cross made in 2005 in Watsonville, Calif. between raspberry variety ‘PS-1852’ (patented, U.S. Plant Pat. No. 18,806) as the female parent and raspberry variety ‘RADIANCE’ (patented, U.S. Plant Pat. No. 20,342) as the male parent in an ongoing breeding program. The variety is botanically known as *Rubus idaeus*.

The seedling resulting from the aforementioned cross was asexually propagated by dormant canes in Santa Cruz County, Calif. and was subsequently selected by the inventor from a controlled breeding plot in Watsonville, Calif. in 2007. After its selection, the new variety was further asexually propagated by dormant canes, roots and non-dormant root shoot cuttings in Santa Cruz County, Calif., San Joaquin County, Calif. and Siskiyou County, Calif. The new variety was then extensively tested over the next several years in fruiting fields in Santa Cruz County, Calif. This propagation has demonstrated that the combination of traits disclosed herein as characterizing the new variety are fixed and remain true to type through successive generations of asexual reproduction.

**BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

‘GLEAM’ is primarily adapted to the climate and growing conditions of the central coast of California. This region

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provides the necessary year-round temperatures required for it to produce and maintain a strong vigorous plant and to remain in fruit production from July through December on primocanes and in the ensuing year from May through July on the floricanes. The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be unique characteristics of ‘GLEAM’, which in combination distinguish this raspberry plant as a new and distinct variety:

1. Medium fruit size
2. High fruit yield
3. Light to medium red fruit color
4. Absent to very weak primocane glaucosity
5. Very good flavor

The raspberry variety that is believed to be most closely related to the new raspberry variety ‘GLEAM’ is the raspberry variety ‘GRANDEUR’ (patented, U.S. Plant Pat. No. 20,459). In comparison to the similar raspberry variety ‘GRANDEUR’, ‘GLEAM’ differs by the following combination of characteristics described in Table 1:

**TABLE 1**

| Characteristic                   | ‘GLEAM’                        | ‘GRANDEUR’<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Primocane waxy coat (glaucosity) | Absent to very weak            | Absent to very weak                           |
| Predominate number of leaflets   | Mostly 3                       | Always 3                                      |
| Leaf shape (cross section)       | Strongly concave               | Flat to slightly convex                       |
| Rugosity                         | Weak                           | Strong                                        |
| Color mature fruit               | RHS 43A<br>Light to medium red | RHS 42A<br>Medium red                         |

TABLE 1-continued

| Characteristic             | 'GLEAM'                         | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Primocane fruit weight (g) | 3.8                             | 3.9                                           |
| Florican color             | RHS 165B<br>Greyed-orange group | RHS 164A<br>Greyed-orange group               |

'GLEAM' differs from its parents, 'PS-1852' and 'RADIANCE' by the following combination of characteristics described in Table 2:

TABLE 2

| Characteristic             | 'GLEAM'   | 'PS-1852'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 18,806) | 'RADIANCE'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,342) |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Productivity               | High      | Medium to low                                | Medium                                        |
| Glossiness (fruit)         | Medium    | Medium                                       | High                                          |
| Adherence of receptacle    | Weak      | Medium                                       | Weak                                          |
| Primocane time of fruiting | Early     | Late                                         | Medium                                        |
| Fruit size                 | Medium    | Medium                                       | Small                                         |
| Flavor                     | Very good | Good                                         | Very good                                     |

For identification, a series of molecular markers have been determined for this new variety.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS OF THE DRAWINGS

The accompanying color photographs illustrate the overall appearance of typical specimens of the new raspberry variety, 'GLEAM' at various stages of development as true as reasonably possible with color reproductions of this type. Color in the photographs may differ slightly from the color value cited in the detailed botanical description which accurately describes the color of 'GLEAM'. The depicted plant and plant parts of the new raspberry variety 'GLEAM' were taken in Watsonville, Calif. and are approximately 2 to 16 months old:

FIG. 1 shows typical primocane foliage and fruit color; foliate and rugosity characteristics of 'GLEAM' taken in the month of July 2014;

FIG. 2 shows typical coloration of apical growing tip during early primocane rapid growth of 'GLEAM' taken in the month of May 2013;

FIG. 3 shows typical harvested fruit of 'GLEAM' taken in the month of August 2013;

FIG. 4 shows typical dormant cane color characteristics of 'GLEAM' taken in the month of January 2013.

#### DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

'GLEAM' has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The characteristics of the new variety may vary in detail, depending upon variations in environmental factors, including weather (temperature, humidity and light intensity), day length, soil type, and location.

The aforementioned photographs, together with the following description of the new raspberry variety 'GLEAM', unless otherwise noted, are based upon observations taken during the 2013-2014 growing season in Watsonville, Calif. Primocane measurements and ratings were taken from plants of 'GLEAM' dug from a nursery located in Siskiyou County, Calif. during the middle of October 2012 and planted approximately 3 to 4 weeks later in Watsonville, Calif. The approximate age of the observed primocane plants is 7 to 8 months. Florican measurements and ratings were taken from the same planting of 'GLEAM' at an approximate age

of 16 to 18 months. Yield observations and fruit quality characteristics are averaged from five years of data collected from the 2009 through 2013 production seasons. Flower measurements and characteristics are from secondary flowers unless otherwise noted. Fruit characteristics and measurements are from secondary fruit unless otherwise noted. Foliage characteristics and measurements are from 3-foliolate foliage unless otherwise noted.

Color terminology where noted follows The R.H.S. Colour Chart Fifth Edition, Royal Horticultural Society, London, United Kingdom (1966).

The following tables 3-7 describe fruit, plant, foliage, flower and pest/disease characteristics of the new raspberry 'GLEAM' in comparison to the similar raspberry varieties 'GRANDEUR' (patented, U.S. Plant Pat. No. 20,459).

TABLE 3

| FRUIT CHARACTERISTICS            |                                |                                               |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Characteristic                   | 'GLEAM'                        | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
| Color mature fruit               | RHS 43A<br>Light to medium red | RHS 42A<br>Medium red                         |
| Color achenes                    | RHS 159A<br>Orange-white group | RHS 159A<br>Orange-white group                |
| Fruit length (mm)                | 21.74                          | 22.91                                         |
| Fruit width (mm)                 | 20.65                          | 20.12                                         |
| Length/Width ratio               | 1.05                           | 1.14                                          |
|                                  | Longer than broad              | Longer than broad                             |
| Seed weight (mg)                 | 1.73                           | 1.75                                          |
| Drupelets per berry              | 86                             | 93                                            |
| Weight of single drupe (g/drupe) | 0.047                          | 0.043                                         |
| Relative size of drupes          | Medium                         | Medium                                        |
| Fruit Size                       | Medium                         | Medium                                        |
| Predominant shape                | Conical                        | Conical                                       |
| Evenness of color                | Even                           | Even                                          |
| Glossiness                       | Medium                         | Medium                                        |
| Adherence of receptacle          | Weak                           | Weak                                          |
| Firmness of flesh                | Firm                           | Very firm                                     |
| Firmness of skin                 | Medium                         | Very firm                                     |
| Soluble Solids (% brix)          | 10.6                           | 10.5                                          |
| Flavor                           | Very Good                      | Good                                          |

TABLE 4

| PLANT CHARACTERISTICS                |                                |                                               |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Characteristic                       | 'GLEAM'                        | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
| General:                             |                                |                                               |
| Habit                                | Upright                        | Upright                                       |
| Size                                 | Medium                         | Medium                                        |
| Productivity                         | High                           | High                                          |
| Self-fruitfulness                    | Yes                            | Yes                                           |
| Type of bearing                      | Everbearing                    | Everbearing                                   |
| Primocane:                           |                                |                                               |
| Color (true)                         | RHS 145B<br>Yellow-green group | RHS 145B<br>Yellow-green group                |
| Length (cm)                          | 147.3                          | 143.6                                         |
| Basal diameter (mm)                  | 16.53                          | 21.80                                         |
| Diameter central 1/3 (mm)            | 9.04                           | 12.55                                         |
| Lateral length at central 1/3 (cm)   | 48.0                           | 43.6                                          |
| No. fruiting laterals per cane       | 10.8                           | 17.4                                          |
| Internode length at central 1/3 (mm) | 71.35                          | 48.84                                         |

TABLE 4-continued

| PLANT CHARACTERISTICS              |                                 |                                               |    |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| Characteristic                     | 'GLEAM'                         | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |    |
| Anthocyanin coloration             | RHS 59B<br>Red-purple group     | RHS 59B<br>Red-purple group                   | 5  |
| Anthocyanin intensity              | Absent to very weak             | Weak                                          | 10 |
| Pubescence                         | Absent                          | Absent                                        |    |
| Length of vegetative bud (mm)      | 6.82                            | 11.01                                         |    |
| Strength of waxy coat (glaucosity) | Absent to very weak             | Absent to very weak                           |    |
| Time of flowering                  | Early                           | Medium                                        | 15 |
| Time of fruiting                   | Early                           | Medium                                        |    |
| Length of fruiting season          | Long                            | Long                                          |    |
| % of total yield                   | 52%                             | 50%                                           |    |
| Flowering period                   | Late June to<br>Late November   | Late June to<br>Late November                 | 20 |
| Harvest period                     | Late July to<br>Late December   | Late July to<br>Late December                 |    |
| Primocane fruit weight (g)         | 3.8                             | 3.9                                           |    |
| Primocane yield (g/plant)          | 2,429                           | 2,662                                         |    |
| Young Shoots:                      |                                 |                                               |    |
| Number                             | Medium                          | Medium                                        | 25 |
| Anthocyanin presence               | Present                         | Present                                       |    |
| Anthocyanin coloration             | RHS 59B<br>Red-purple group     | RHS 179A<br>Greyed-red group                  |    |
| Anthocyanin intensity              | Medium                          | Medium                                        |    |
| Thorns:                            |                                 |                                               |    |
| Thorn coloration                   | RHS 182A<br>Greyed-red group    | RHS 180C<br>Greyed-red group                  | 30 |
| Thorn length at central 1/3 (mm)   | 0.55                            | 0.76                                          |    |
| Thorn base at central 1/3 (mm)     | 0.94                            | 1.53                                          |    |
| Thorn presence                     | Present                         | Present                                       |    |
| Thorn density per cm at central 13 | 3.94                            | 3.38                                          | 35 |
| Thorn texture                      | Medium                          | Medium                                        |    |
| Thorn texture                      | Rigid                           | Rigid                                         |    |
| Attitude of the tip                | Horizontal                      | Horizontal                                    |    |
| Florican:                          |                                 |                                               |    |
| Color (true)                       | RHS 165B<br>Greyed-orange group | RHS 164A<br>Greyed-orange group               | 40 |
| Length (cm)                        | 104.1                           | 119.8                                         |    |
| Fruiting lateral attitude          | Erect                           | Erect                                         |    |
| Time bud burst                     | Medium                          | Medium                                        |    |
| Time of flowering                  | Medium                          | Medium                                        | 45 |
| Time of fruiting                   | Medium                          | Medium                                        |    |
| Length of fruiting season          | Medium to long                  | Medium to long                                |    |
| % of total yield                   | 48%                             | 50%                                           |    |
| Flowering period                   | Late April to<br>Late June      | Late April to<br>Late June                    | 50 |
| Harvest period                     | Late May to<br>Late July        | Late May to<br>Late July                      |    |
| Florican fruit weight (g)          | 3.6                             | 3.7                                           |    |
| Florican yield (g/plant)           | 2,234                           | 2,680                                         |    |

TABLE 5

| FOLIAGE CHARACTERISTICS |                                |                                                              |    |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Characteristic          | 'GLEAM'<br>(3 Foliate)         | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459)<br>(3 Foliate) |    |
| General:                |                                |                                                              |    |
| Color of upper surface  | RHS 137B<br>Green group        | RHS N137A<br>Green group                                     | 65 |
| Color of lower surface  | RHS 190B<br>Greyed-green group | RHS 190B<br>Greyed-green group                               |    |

TABLE 5-continued

| FOLIAGE CHARACTERISTICS                 |                        |                                                              |    |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Characteristic                          | 'GLEAM'<br>(3 Foliate) | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459)<br>(3 Foliate) |    |
| Shape in cross section                  | Strongly concave       | Flat to slightly convex                                      | 10 |
| Arrangement                             | Compound               | Compound                                                     |    |
| Relief between veins (rugosity)         | Weak                   | Strong                                                       |    |
| Glossiness                              | Weak                   | Weak                                                         |    |
| Number of leaflets/leaf                 | Mostly 3               | Always 3                                                     | 15 |
| Terminal Leaflet:                       |                        |                                                              |    |
| Length (mm)                             | 126.3                  | 127.5                                                        |    |
| Width (mm)                              | 76.7                   | 91.6                                                         |    |
| Length/Width Ratio                      | 1.6                    | 1.4                                                          | 20 |
| Size                                    | Longer than broad      | Longer than broad                                            |    |
| Shape                                   | Medium                 | Medium to large                                              |    |
| Shape of base                           | Ovate                  | Cordate                                                      |    |
| Shape of tip                            | Rounded                | Cordate                                                      | 25 |
| Margins                                 | Acuminate              | Acuminate                                                    |    |
| Lateral Leaflet:                        | Biserrate              | Biserrate                                                    |    |
| Length (mm)                             | 103.5                  | 105.5                                                        | 30 |
| Width (mm)                              | 59.4                   | 65.1                                                         |    |
| Length/Width Ratio                      | 1.7                    | 1.6                                                          |    |
| Rachis length (mm)                      | Longer than broad      | Longer than broad                                            |    |
| Orientation                             | 33.4                   | 36.2                                                         | 35 |
| Arrangement                             | Opposite               | Opposite                                                     |    |
| Shape                                   | Compound               | Compound                                                     |    |
| Overlapping                             | Ovate                  | Ovate                                                        |    |
| Shape of the base                       | Free                   | Touching                                                     | 40 |
| Shape of the tip                        | Rounded                | Oblique rounded                                              |    |
| Margins                                 | Acuminate              | Acuminate                                                    |    |
| Petiole:                                | Biserrate              | Biserrate                                                    |    |
| Length (mm)                             | 62.98                  | 59.00                                                        | 45 |
| Width (mm)                              | 2.82                   | 3.99                                                         |    |
| Thorn presence                          | Yes                    | Yes                                                          |    |
| Thorn orientation                       | Erect                  | Erect                                                        |    |
| Anthocyanin coloration of upper surface | RHS 186C               | RHS 184C                                                     | 50 |
| Anthocyanin intensity of upper surface  | Greyed-purple group    | Greyed-purple group                                          |    |
| Stipule length (mm)                     | Weak                   | Weak                                                         |    |
| Stipule orientation                     | 9.72                   | 10.23                                                        |    |

TABLE 6

| FLOWER CHARACTERISTICS            |                                 |                                               |    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| Characteristic                    | 'GLEAM'                         | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |    |
| Petal color                       | 155C<br>White group             | 155C<br>White group                           | 55 |
| Flower diameter (mm)              | 18.14                           | 22.55                                         |    |
| Petal Length (mm)                 | 6.79                            | 6.42                                          |    |
| Petal width (mm)                  | 3.27                            | 3.11                                          |    |
| Petal length/width ratio          | 2.08                            | 2.06                                          | 60 |
| No. petals/flower                 | Much longer than broad          | Much longer than broad                        |    |
| No. sepals/flower                 | 5.4                             | 5.2                                           |    |
| Relative number of pedicel thorns | 5.4                             | 5.2                                           |    |
| Peduncle anthocyanin presence     | Medium                          | Medium                                        | 65 |
| Peduncle anthocyanin coloration   | Present                         | Present                                       |    |
| Peduncle anthocyanin intensity    | RHS 183B<br>Greyed-purple group | RHS 184A<br>Greyed-purple group               |    |
|                                   | Strong                          | Medium                                        |    |

TABLE 7

| PEST AND DISEASE REACTIONS                                              |                           |                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Characteristic                                                          | 'GLEAM'                   | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
| Spotted wing drosophila<br>( <i>Drosophila suzukii</i> )                | Susceptible               | Susceptible                                   |
| Two spotted spider mite<br>( <i>Tetranychus urticae</i> )               | Susceptible               | Susceptible                                   |
| Grey fruit mold<br>( <i>Botrytis cinerae</i> )                          | Susceptible               | Susceptible                                   |
| Powdery mildew<br>( <i>Podosphaera aphanis</i> var.<br><i>aphanis</i> ) | Moderately<br>susceptible | Moderately<br>susceptible                     |

TABLE 7-continued

| PEST AND DISEASE REACTIONS                       |                         |                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Characteristic                                   | 'GLEAM'                 | 'GRANDEUR'<br>(U.S. Plant Pat.<br>No. 20,459) |
| Yellow rust<br>( <i>Phragmidium rubi-idaei</i> ) | Moderately<br>resistant | Moderately<br>susceptible                     |

I claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of raspberry plant named 'GLEAM', as herein described and illustrated by the characteristics set forth above.

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**FIG. 1**



**FIG. 2**

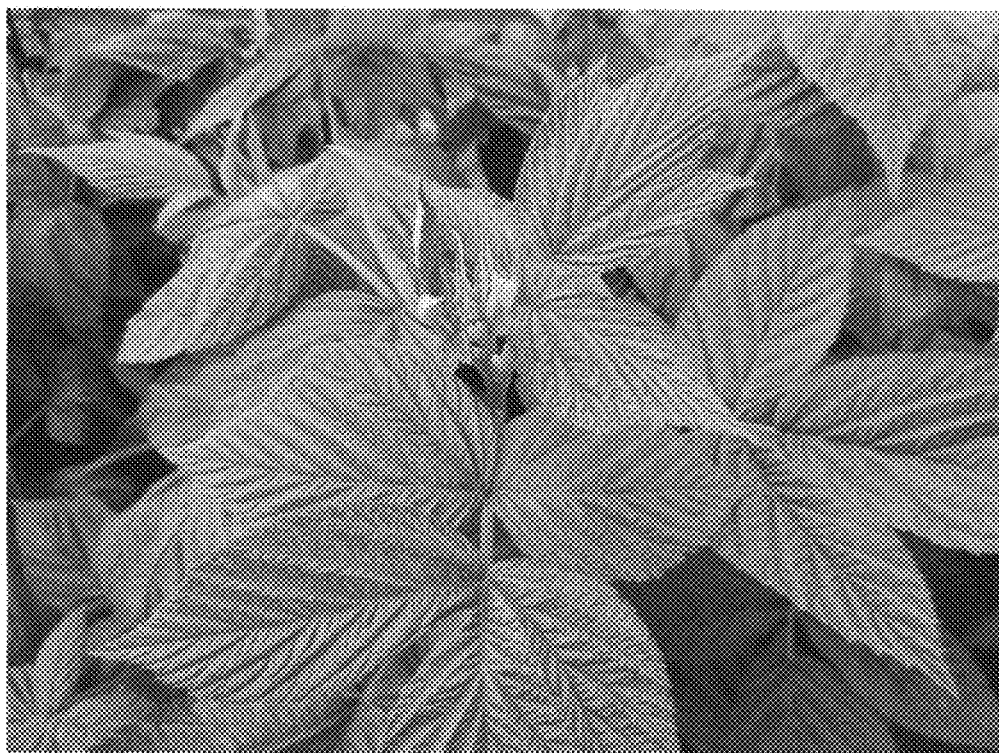


FIG. 3

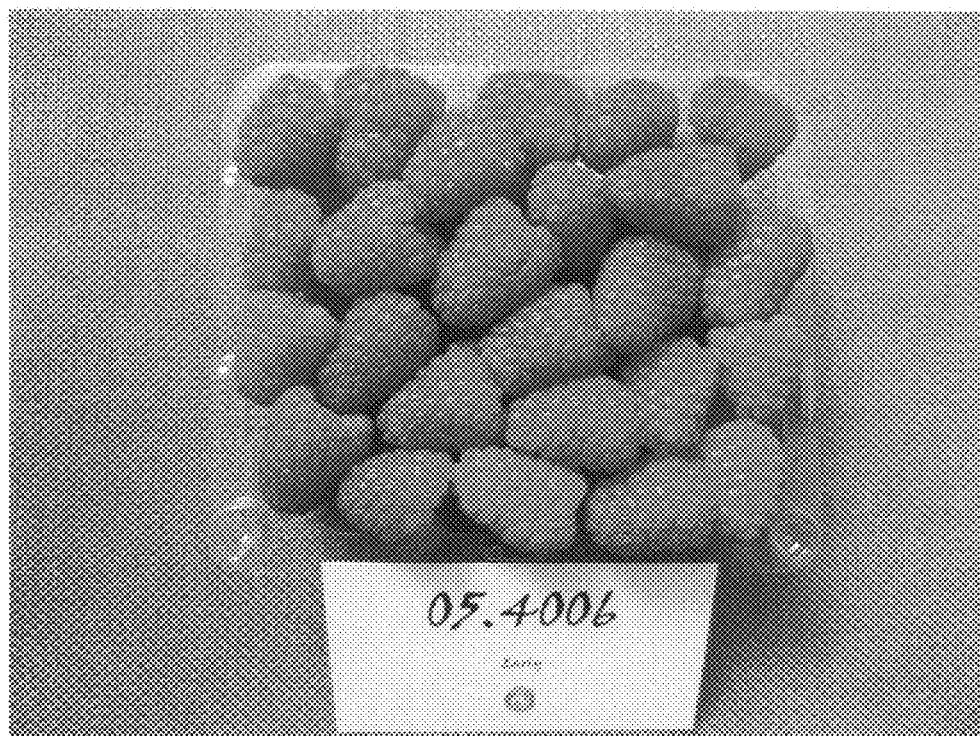


FIG. 4

