The following report is submitted on behalf of ASPCRO.

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**ASPCRO Labeling Committee**

In August 2013 EPA released the new pollinator protection label language that affected four neonicotinoid active ingredients; clothianidin, dinotefuran, imidacloprid and thiamethoxam. State agencies and the regulated community expressed concern to ASPCRO about the non-agricultural use language that EPA proposed and potential impacts to non-agricultural uses (i.e.: structural, turf and ornamental, etc.). The ASPCRO Label Review Committee, chaired by Bonnie Rabe with the New Mexico Department of Agriculture, worked with the regulated community and state agency representatives to identify and answer concerns regarding the new language. These concerns were brought forward to EPA and based on their feedback ASPCRO developed an interpretive guidance in relation to non-agricultural pollinator protections for state lead agencies. This guidance was released in August 2014. The committee is now in the process of developing a guidance document for the regulated community. ASPCRO has continued to work with EPA, AAPCO and SFIREG to ensure non-agricultural applications are addressed in any future MP3 proposals.
ASPCRO Rodenticide Committee

The ASPCRO Rodenticide Committee, chaired by Linda Johns with the Montana Department of Agriculture, was able to work with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) this last year to address concerns that were brought to ASPCRO regarding the restrictions that the rodenticide reregistration mitigation decisions created. The label changes that occurred in recent years limited applications to commensal rodents only. In September 2014 ASPCRO requested a label amendment to allow use on non-commensal rodents that pose a threat to structures and public health. To ensure ASPCRO addressed EPA’s original intent of the RMD to avoid exposure to non-target species, the proposed amendment was to add specific non-commensal rodent species; such as Peromyscus spp. (e.g. white footed mouse (Peromyscus leucopus) and the deer mouse (Peromyscus maniculatus) as well as other pest rodents (e.g. pack rats (Neotoma spp.), cotton rats (Sigmodon spp.), and Polynesian rats (Rattus exulans) to the target pests allowed on the label. The label amendment provided the regulated community with the appropriate label guidance to control pest rodents other than house mice, roof rats and Norway rats in and around manmade structures while still meeting EPA’s RMD. In January 2015 EPA confirmed that they agreed with ASPCRO’s recommendation and they will inform registrants that these additional non-commensal rodent species may be added to future labeling.

ASPCRO Structural Fumigation Committee

The Structural Fumigation Committee (SFC), chaired by John Scott with the Colorado Department of Agriculture, was created to provide comments and recommendations to EPA on future structural fumigation reregistration review decisions. In addition, the SFC is working in cooperation with the National Pest Management Association to provide structural fumigation training to EPA personnel. The training will be held in Atlanta, GA in March 2015 and will provide EPA personnel hands-on training on how structural fumigations are conducted to help in future reregistration decisions.

Planning Committee

This year the Association will be holding the 59th Annual ASPCRO Conference, August 23rd - 26th, 2015, in in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Agenda topics will include many issues that directly affect states and the regulated industry, including The Vital Role of Pesticides and Their Public Health Benefits; Hazard and Risk Communication; Pollinator Protection labeling; The Future of Certification and Training; Climate Change and the Effect on Pest Pressures; and other emerging issues. Please join us if you can. You can get more information at aspcro.org.

Respectfully submitted,

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