

**STATE FIFRA ISSUES RESEARCH & EVALUATION GROUP (SFIREG) JOINT  
MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ISSUES (EQI) AND  
PESTICIDE OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT (POM) COMMITTEES  
U.S. EPA Potomac Yards, Crystal City, VA  
April 8 – 9, 2019**

**Monday April 8, 2019**

**JOINT WORKING COMMITTEES MEETING**

- 8:30 am      **Welcome and Introductions**  
Gary Bahr, WA, EQI Chair, Tim Drake, SC, POM Chair (Outgoing) and Jeff Rogers, VA POM Chair (Incoming)
- 8:45 am      **Updates from AAPCO, SFIREG, and NASDA**  
Rose Kachadoorian, OR, AAPCO President  
Liza Fleeson Trossbach, VA, SFIREG Chair  
Aline Delucia, NASDA
- 9:15 am      **OPP Update**  
Yvette Hopkins EPA OPP
- OECA Update**  
Anthony Matusik EPA OPP
- 9:30 am      **OPP and OECA Activities - Impacts of Federal Shutdown**  
Gary Bahr, WA
- *In the aftermath of the 34-day federal shutdown, EPA will share impacts to EPA activities and potential impacts to state pesticide regulatory programs. Can SFIREG Working Committees provide any assistance to EPA? [OPP/OECA Staff, EPA]*
  - *SFIREG Working Committee Members will have the opportunity to share comments, questions or concerns regarding the impacts of the federal shutdown [All]*
- 10:00 am      Break
- 10:15 am      **Dicamba 2019 Growing Season**
- *Overview of SFIREG EPA Dicamba Ad Hoc Work Group and activities will be presented. The Guidance Document will be discussed and request for development of recommended label revisions. [Liza Fleeson Trossbach, SFIREG Chair]*
  - *SFIREG Working Committee Members will have the opportunity to share comments, questions or concerns regarding Dicamba. [All]*
- 10:45 am      **Special Local Needs (24c)**

- *A general discussion of questions, comments and concerns of SFIREG Working Committee Members in response to the recent announcement that EPA is now re-evaluating its approach to reviewing FIFRA Section 24(c) "requests", and the circumstances under which it will exercise its authority to disapprove those requests.*
- *Review of the comments received from State Lead Agencies on the revised (current) 24c Guidance (December 2018) [Rose Kachadoorian, AAPCO President]*

11:15 am     **USDA Biostimulant Workgroup - Progress Report**  
*EPA and State Lead Agency Work Group Members will provide a brief overview and update on the activities of the USDA Biostimulant Workgroup.*  
 [EPA/OPP; Cary Giguere, VT, and Sara Cafferty, IN]

11:30 am     **Future Education Programs with EPA-PREP, PIRT**  
 Gary Bahr, WA; Cindy Wire, EPA, and Carol Black, WSU

11:45 am     Lunch on your own

**POM CONCURRENT SESSION – Tim Drake, Chair**

1:00 pm     **POM/EPA Label Review Interaction**  
*General discussion regarding label review activities and opportunities to provide input to EPA on existing and new product labels.*  
 [EPA/OPP]

1:30 pm     **Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV)**  
*General discussion regarding the use of UAVs and implications for pesticide regulatory programs including certification and labeling issues and an update on the newly formed AAPCO Technology Work Group.*  
 [Dwight Seal, NC; Rose Kachadoorian, AAPCO President]

2:00 pm     **Regulation of Devices**  
*In support of EPAs Devices Work Group POM will review and finalize questions for survey of States regarding current regulation of devices.*

2:30 pm     **Pesticide Feed Additives Letter**  
*POM will review and finalize letter of clarification to State Lead Agencies regarding pass-through insecticides and their determination that they are not feed additives but pesticides.*

3:00 pm     **Pesticide Action Thresholds/Tolerances**  
*POM will review and finalize a letter to EPA expressing concerns regarding the establishment of action thresholds (tolerances) for any food crop.*

3:45 pm      **Kit/Co-Pack Issue**  
*General discussion of questions/concerns regarding Kit/Co-Pack including need for clarification of definition. [Matt Sunseri, MN,]*

4:00 pm      **Adjourn**

**EQI CONCURRENT SESSION** – Gary Bahr, Chair

1:00 pm      **Results of Plant Back Issue Survey, Plant Back Issue Paper and Recommendations**  
Mary Tomlinson, ME

1:45 pm      **Pesticide of Interest Tracking System (POINTS), White Paper and Summary**  
Laura Mensch, DE

2:30 pm      Break

2:45 pm      **State Updates on Issues Related to Environmental Quality Programs.**  
*EQI members provide a brief update on major issues in each state and/or region.*

3:30 pm      **EQI Issues, Time Tables, and Future Topics**

4:00 pm      **Adjourn**

**Tuesday April 9, 2018**

**JOINT WORKING COMMITTEES MEETING**

8:00 am      **Status of Neonicotinoid Risk Assessments**  
*EPA will provide a brief overview with current risk assessments and timelines for final releases.*  
Gary Bahr, WA  
EPA/OPP

8:15 am      **Pollinator Updates**

- *Brief overview of final recommended national metrics to measure the success of state managed pollinator protection plans will be presented [Liza Fleeson Trossbach, SFIREG Chair]*
- *The renewed and future activities of the AAPCO Pollinator Work Group will be shared. [Rose Kachadoorian, Co-Chair, AAPCO Pollinator Work Group]*
- *EPA will provide an overview of the recently released Update of the RT25 Value [EPA/OPP].*

- *SFIREG Working Committee Members will have the opportunity to share comments, questions or concerns. [All]*

- 8:45 am     **Laboratory Update**  
Carrie Leach, IN
- 9:00 am     **Aminocyclopyrachlor**  
*General discussion of damage in Oregon.*  
Gary Bahr, WA  
Colton Bond, OR
- 9:30 am     **Certification and Training and Work Group Update**
  - *EPA will provide an update on the current and future activities of the EPA's C&T Work Group. [EPA OPP]*
  - *The current and future activities of AAPCO's C&T Work Group will be provided. [Tim Creger, NE, Chair]*
  - *SFIREG Working Committee Members will have the opportunity to share comments, questions or concerns regarding the implementation of the amended rule.*
- 10:00 am    Break
- 10:15 am    **Report on Plant Back Issue Survey and Paper**  
Gary Bahr, WA  
Mary Tomlinson, ME
- 10:45 am    **Report on Pesticide of Interest Tracking System (POINTS) and Paper**  
Gary Bahr, WA  
Laura Mensch, DE
- 11:15 am    **JWC Future Meeting Location, Organizing and Tracking Projects**  
Gary Bahr, WA and Tim Drake, SC
- 11:45 am    **Wrap Up**  
Gary Bahr, WA and Tim Drake, SC
- 12:00 am    **Adjourn**