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As required by O.C.G.A. 43-45-8 (3), the Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission submits the following annual report of the activities, expenditures and other matters pertinent to the operation of the commission.

The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission met monthly during Fiscal Year 2017 on the following dates:

July 15	January 10
August 9	February 14
September 13	March 16
October 11	April 18
November 8	May 9
December 13	June 13

All meetings began at 9:30 AM in the Agriculture Building with the exception of the October 11th meeting held at the Lake Blackshear Center at the Georgia Veterans State Park, the January 10th meeting held at 9:15 AM at the Lucy Cobb Chapel in Athens and the May 9th meeting held at 9 AM at the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center Building.

Expenditures for the Commission and records of attendance for each member are included.

Minutes for the Commission meetings are included. If additional information is needed regarding the report, contact Derrick Lastinger, Director of Structural Pest Section, at 404-656-2111 or derrick.lastinger@agr.georgia.gov

Gary W. Black Commissioner

STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION PER DIEM AND TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2017

BUDGET NO. 1-11-3

	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN. PI	PUBH. FEB.		MARCH	APRIL	MAX	JUNE
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(P) = Present (ABS) = Absent (T)=Teleconference

July 15, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on July 15, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, and Greg Holley via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, NPMA, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Lastinger to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Ms. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. Motion made by Mr. Holley nominated Mr. Chris Gorecki as Commission chairman and Mr. Lastinger as vice-chairmen for the new state fiscal year. Ms. Kuriatnyk seconded motion and motion passed.
- E. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department and Program updates. He mentioned that UGA's training workshops will begin at the end of summer and continue into the fall. GDA is currently re-evaluating the regulatory sessions in the Termite and IPM workshops to update and make improvements. Ms. Nan Collier is coordinating the updates and implementation. Introductions were made for Ms. Shannon Fitzgerald, Compliance Specialist and Ms. Kiyomi Jefferson, who is filling in for Ms. Rachel Ward. Mr. Lastinger announced that the recent Georgia Clean Day event was successful. Over 76,000 pounds of unwanted and unused pesticides were collected and disposed of properly. Mr. Lastinger explained that this was the first time dealers were able to participate; however, they were responsible for paying the disposal fee. Mr. Lastinger discussed a recent field day where officials from the Governor's office of Planning and Budget went on structural pest control regulatory inspections in Northwest Metro Atlanta. Through the experience, participants have a better understanding of staffing and equipment needs along with first-hand experience with the technical and physical requirements of the positions. Ms. Collier and Mr. Alex Conti were recognized for their work in making the field experience beneficial and productive. Mr. Lastinger discussed Commissioner Black's press release on Mosquito Management Awareness that was issued on June 27, 2016 (see Attachment 3). In addition to the press release, an article was also published in the Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin. The article was written by Ms. Rachel Welch who is a summer intern with the Plant Industry Division.

- G. Ms. Faye Golden with Cook's Pest Control asked if there will be any discussions to allow electronic Pesticide Use Records for Mosquito control applications made under the Georgia Pesticide Use and Application Act. Mr. Lastinger responded that he was not aware of any rule or policy changes for these records. He also responded to questions regarding how the Department announces rule changes related to the rules under this Act.
- H. Ms. Jenny Wren provided and discussed the administrative enforcement summary for 2015. She presented a graph showing the frequency of violations cited in administrative cases resulting from inspections during calendar year 2015. It was suggested that it may be beneficial to also include the total number of licenses involved and cases. (see Attachment 4).
- I. The Legislative update was provided by Mr. Skin Edge. He stated that this is a quiet period as they are between primary elections. Legislative activity will pick up around the 1st of August with study committees and hearings.
- J. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He discussed some of the concerns that were addressed at a recent meeting that he attended in South Carolina. At this meeting, foam insulation industries, energy companies, and builders met with the South Carolina Pest Management Association (SCPMA) to address the cancellation of termite warranties that were occurring as a result of adding foam as a secondary insulation. The termite protection warranties are being cancelled because adding the foam insulation makes it difficult to inspect. The SCPMA plans to meet again to discuss remedies that the liquid foam industries can put into place that would allow the pest management industry to warranty these homes or allow homeowners to continue with their current warranty.
- K. Mr. Lastinger provided the ASPCRO update. He mentioned the upcoming conference in August will be hosted by the New Mexico Department of Agriculture and he encouraged attendance. A structural fumigation survey was sent out to the states on July 14, 2016 and the results will be presented at the upcoming meeting.
- L. Meeting adjourned at 10:24 AM.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Agenda

Attachment 2 New Company Licenses

Attachment 3 Press Release
Attachment 4 Market Bulletin

Attachment 5 Administrative Action Violation Report

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

July 15, 2016

Open –Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. FY17 Election of Officers
- b. New Company Applications
- c. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- d. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- e. Administrative Enforcement Summary Jennifer Wren
- f. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING July 15, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Cooks Warner Robins
- W.L. Pest Control, LLC Grayson
- Invizibug Pest Solutions Yulee
- M3 PEst Control LLC Mansfield
- Sentenial Newnan
- Critter Control Inc. Marietta

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Accurate Pest Solutions Barrow County (name change).
- Armored Pest Control Fayette County (insurance, DCO signature).

Attachment 3

Georgia Agriculture Commissioner Reminds Residents about Prevention and Control of Mosquito Problems

Georgia Department of Agriculture Gary W. Black, Commissioner 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. SW Atlanta, GA 30334 http://www.agr.georgia.gov/

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Press Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Monday, June 27, 2016 Office of Communications 404-656-3689

Georgia Agriculture Commissioner Reminds Residents about Prevention and Control of Mosquito Problems

Summertime is in full swing and with it comes the dreaded mosquito. Enjoy the outdoors this summer and help stop the spread of mosquito-borne illnesses by following these tips from the Georgia Department of Agriculture and Commissioner Gary W. Black to ensure the safety of family, friends and pets.

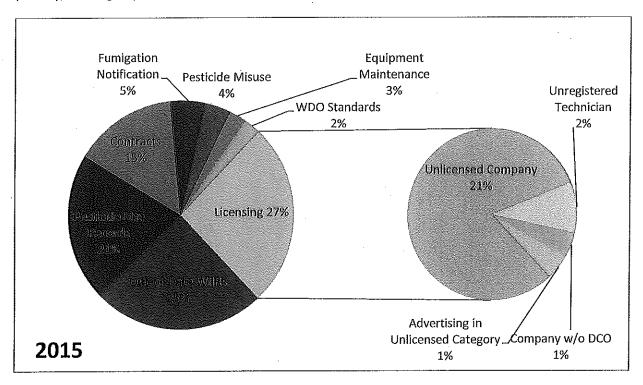
- Take steps to protect skin from mosquito bites at all times of the day by applying an insect repellant containing at least 20% DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon-eucalyptus. Also, consider wearing long pants, long-sleeved shirts and closed-toe shoes whenever possible.
- Mosquito-borne diseases that may be rare in the U.S. are common in many foreign countries, so anyone traveling
 outside of the country should be aware of travel advisories currently in effect. If a person falls ill upon returning home,
 seek prompt medical attention.
- Homeowners should eliminate areas of standing water around the property such as flowerpots, birdbaths, baby pools
 and grill covers. Mosquitoes need only about a half an inch of water to breed. It's also recommended to screen all
 windows and doors, and patch up even the smallest tear. If there are concerns about mosquito activity, contact a
 licensed pest control company or your local mosquito abatement district.

With increasing concern about Zika Virus and other mosquito-borne pathogens, some consumers are looking to hire a professional to provide mosquito control on their property. Consumers are urged to only seek advice and use licensed pest control companies that have a category 41 mosquito control license. The Georgia Department of Agriculture is responsible for licensing mosquito control companies and operators who perform mosquito control services. If a contractor is not licensed in mosquito control by the Georgia Department of Agriculture, it is illegal for them to practice mosquito control as a business. There are approximately 450 licensed companies operating in Georgia.

Consumers can search and verify a licensed mosquito control operator by visiting the Department online at www.agr.georgia.gov/pesticide-contractors. Consumers are urged to report unlicensed operators to the Georgia Department of Agriculture at 404-656-4958.

Administrative Action Violation Report

The graph shows the frequency of violations cited in administrative cases resulting from inspections during calendar year 2015. Administrative cases are enforcement actions that may include a monetary penalty, training requirement and/or license suspension/revocation.



August 9, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on August 9, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, Dr. Brian Forschler, Bodine Sinyard and Greg Holley.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Ms. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. Dr. Suiter will host the IPM & termite workshops later this month in at the Griffin training center. The UGA webinar series continues this month as well.
- F. Mr. Gray provided the Department update. He noted that he and Mr. Lastinger have finalized and submitted the US EPA cooperative pesticide grant for the next three years. The Ag Inputs section will be hosting a regional pesticide worker protection standard training next week in Savannah.
- G. Mr. Lastinger discussed Dr. Suiter's request for archived webinars to obtain recertification credit. Since the initial proposal, several changes have been made and he recommended that the Commission consider the revised proposal and approve it as a pilot program for the remaining of 2016. Mr. Sinyard motioned to approve the pilot program for the rest of 2016. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed. Mr. Lastinger also mentioned an informative mosquito control article that was published in the Georgia Farmers Market Bulletin. The article was written by the Division's summer intern, Rachel Welch. Lastly, he discussed an upcoming annual conference for the Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials that will be held later this month in Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- H. Jennifer Wren discussed an US EPA grant that was awarded to develop a resource for implementing school IPM in Georgia. A publication has been drafted that includes Georgia pesticide and pest control laws and regulations, implementing IPM, guidelines and resources. The Commission and pest control associations are invited to review and comment on the draft document.
- I. The Commission discussed two of the four issues for rulemaking. On the rulemaking tracking document under item number one, the Official Wood Infestation Inspection Report condition number 6 will be revised to change unreported conditions conducive to infestation found within 90 days from the date of the report to be corrected free of charge by the licensee. The rule currently requires within one year. Mr. Lastinger presented a report regarding the violation found by the Department for the last few years. Most

conditions conducive to infestation not reported on the report are discovered within 90 days of the issuance of the report. The Commission further discussed that the revision to this rule would not restrict the Department from responding to unreported conditions conducive to infestation discovered after the 90 day period. Mr. Gorecki motioned to reduce the requirement to ninety days as discussed. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed. The second issue was discussed regarding the removal of the 18 inch clearance requirement for the crawl space for water conducting fungi control requirements. Mr. Holley motioned to remove 18 inch clearance requirement for the crawl space for water conducting fungi control requirements. Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed.

- J. Mr. Gorecki provided the NPMA update. He noted that NPMA has been a great resource to the local associations and individual states. They most recently assisted the US Chamber of Commerce with the pending overtime rule.
- K. Mr. Lastinger and Mr. Sinyard discussed the meeting location for the October 11th meeting. He noted that the meeting will be held at Lake Blackshear Conference Center located at the Georgia Veterans State Park. Mr. Lastinger will work with Mr. Sinyard to finalize the details and issue the public notice before the next meeting.
- L. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.

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Attachment 1

Agenda

Attachment 2

New Company Licenses

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

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August 9, 2016

Open –Chairman Gorecki **Minutes**

Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- c. UGA Extension Request for Recertification Credit
- d. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- e. Georgia School IPM Project Jenny Wren
- f. Rulemaking
- g. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- h. NPMA update Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING August 9th, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Metro Pest Man-Kennesaw (Sub Office)
- Metro Pest Man-Suwanee (Sub-Office)
- Zack's Pest –A-Saurus Rex-Newnan
- Rise Pest Control, LLC-Auburn
- TruGreen-Austell

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Springfield Pest Solutions-Cherokee (Insurance)
- Pinpoint Pest Solutions-Rockdale (Insurance)
- Servitrol LLC-Fulton (Insurance)
- Four Seasons Termite and Pest Control-Bulloch (Name Change & Insurance)

Name Change

Grass Roots Termite & Pest (99771) to DYNO Pest Services

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Hawkeye Pest Solutions Rockmart
- MainSource Pest Control Loganville
- Blackwater Consulting Services Orangeburg, SC

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- People's Pest Control, LLC Dekalb County (insurance).
- Crawford Pest Control Cobb County (insurance).

The Commission did not approved the following applications

- Budget Pest.net LaGrange
- Aptive Environmental (100312) to Aptive Environmental DBA Aptive (name change)

September 13, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on September 13, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Kim Bragg, Dr. Brian Forschler, Bodine Sinyard (by phone) and Greg Holley.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the minutes of the August meeting. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update including a discussion about the fall workshops at the Griffin training center. Mr. Lastinger discussed a recent effort to update the regulatory sessions that are currently a part of each workshop. This effort focused on making the sessions more interactive, effective and consistent.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He mentioned that a Georgia Clean Day event will take place at the Cordele State Farmer's Market on September 30. Preregistration by September 26th, 2016 is required to participate. The Georgia national fair is next month and GDA will be present at many of the scheduled events. Ms. Kuriatnyk noted that DPH will be partnering with the Georgia Rural Healthy Homes Advisory to promote healthy homes for all Georgians through various activities and topics including Pest Day. She is coordinating a bug day with Jennifer Wren. Mr. Lastinger discussed the Bed Bug Outreach publication project and noted that the publication is in final review. He also noted an article in the Market Bulletin about the avian influenza and biosecurity. The article reminds poultry growers that controlling insects and rodents at all times is necessary for flock protection.
- G. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He announced that Public Notice 16-06 was recently posted regarding the location of the October meeting. The meeting will be held at Lake Blackshear conference center in Cordele.
- H. Ms. Jennifer Wren discussed the Georgia School IPM project. She noted that there was a recent comment period that ended last Friday. Nine groups of comments have been received and others will be accepted until the publication is finalized later in the month. She appreciated those that reviewed the draft document and provided comments. All comments are being reviewed by the authors and edits will continue until complete.
- I. Mrs. Fralick provided the legislative update.
- J. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He noted that U.S EPA will soon release the synthetic pyrethroid risk assessments and new mitigation measures. He also noted that

- U.S. EPA's final version of the new certification and training rules will also be released by the end of the year.
- K. Mr. Gorecki mentioned his attendance to the ASPCRO conference last month in Sante Fe, New Mexico. He noted that there were many great presentations and topics. He thanked Mr. Lastinger and the committees for their work.
- L. Mr. Lastinger discussed rulemaking regarding soil applied products for subterranean termites. The intent of this rulemaking is to consider options to allow new treatment technologies. He provided the following background information:
 - Termidor HE is currently approved in Georgia and accepted for use under the defined soil treatment rule for subterranean termite control. Since being registered and accepted in May 2013, the SPCC issued Notice 15-03 to further clarify the use for post-construction treatment for the control and prevention of subterranean termites.
 - GPCA submitted a public request for rulemaking on August 31, 2015. This request for rulemaking recommended that the Commission amend the rules allowing the use of new technology by adjusting the minimum standard treatment language.
 - The SPCC has discussed the need to consider a WDO rule change to allow new technology which would offer PMP's more management options to offer to Georgia consumers.
 - In July 2002, GPCA requested rulemaking to allow for new termite management products. The SPCC responded by amending the rules to accommodate changes in technology and provide clarification. These rules became effective February 2003.

Mr. Lastinger discussed the current Rule 620-2-.01 which defines alternate application technique as a method of application of termiticide which has been approved by the Commission; and has efficacy data supporting the use of such application technique reviewed and accepted by the Commission; and which is used in a manner consistent with the label and labeling of the termiticide being applied. Rule 620-6-.04 allows the Commission to approve an alternate application technique as a control method as a standard for subterranean termite control for treatment. The Commission discussed the current rule and if rule amendments were needed.

Mr. Gorecki and Mr. Jim Wright with BASF discussed the South Carolina rule that was adopted in 2004 that allows for a less than a full conventional liquid termiticide treatment as described in the South Carolina standards for post construction treatments. Mr. Gorecki also noted that North Carolina and Oklahoma are in rulemaking to address the non-conventional use patterns of the BASF products.

Mr. Gorecki suggested that the Commission also consider amending the comprehensive and defined soil termiticide application standards to refer to the termiticide label for how to treat required treatment locations such as the foundation trenching and treatment requirement.

The Commission discussed these options and would like to see an alternate application technique draft rule that specifies locations to be treated as a standard but refers to the label for treatment method and requirements.

- M. Mr. Lastinger motioned that GDA review and respond to the certification exam applications due to the scheduling of another meeting following the Commission meeting. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM.

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Agenda

Attachment 2

New Company Licenses

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

September 13, 2016

Open -Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- d. Georgia School IPM Project Update Jenny Wren
- e. Public Notice 16-02
- f. Rulemaking
- g. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- h. NPMA update Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING September 13th, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Hawkeye Pest Solutions-Rockmart
- MainSource Pest Control-Loganville
- Blackwater Consulting Services-Orangeburg, SC

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- People's Pest Control, LLC.-Dekalb County (Insurance)
- Crawford Pest Control-Cobb County (Insurance)

The Commission did not approved the following appliations

- Budget Pest.net-LaGrange
- Aptive Environmental (100312) to Aptive Environmental DBA Aptive (name change)

October 11, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. at the Lake Blackshear Conference Center located at the Georgia Veterans State Park on October 11, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, Dr. Brian Forschler (By Phone), Bodine Sinyard, Greg Holley and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Mr. Sinyard welcomed the Commission and attendees to the Lake Blackshear Conference Center. Mr. Gorecki recognized and appreciated Mr. Sinyard for hosting the meeting.
- D. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- E. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- F. The Commission discussed old business from the previous meeting. Aptive Environmental sent in a name change request. Concerns were brought to the Commission about the company not operating under their approved issued licensee name. Motion was made by Ms. Bragg to not approve the name change request since it could likely be confused with a previously issued licensee name. Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed.
- G. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He noted that Department has been involved with the emergency preparedness and response to hurricane Matthew. The Department's role focuses on food safety, safe fuel supply and animal shelters for evacuated areas. HPAI and GDA preparedness is on the agenda but Department officials that were scheduled to speak are currently attending to the response of Hurricane Matthew. The agenda topic will be rescheduled for the November meeting.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He discussed the Commission meeting dates for 2017. The 2017 draft calendar will not include a meeting in July. Mr. Lastinger suggested that he put together a draft calendar for review before the next meeting.
- I. Jenny Wren provided on the administrative enforcement update. (see Attachment 3).
- J. Jenny Wren discussed the finalized *BED BUGS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW* publication regarding bed bug identification and pesticide safety. Also the *IPM for Georgia Schools and child care facilities* publication has been sent to the UGA printing office for graphic design. The publication should be available later this year and distributed through the UGA School IPM workshops.
- K. Mrs. Kuriatnyk discussed the Georgia Department of Public Health's involvement in the Georgia National Fair that is currently taking place in Perry. The outreach effort is focused on environmental hazards in the home and hosted by the Healthy Home Program. They have partnered up with other agencies to address and discuss topics such as mold, lead, paint and pests.

- L. Mr. Gorecki suggested that Commissioner Black and the Department consider a press release focused on hurricane Matthew related flooded areas with a recommendation to these Georgia consumers to have their home termite protection evaluated.
- M. Mr. Lastinger presented a draft rule that expands the current alternate application technique rule. Under this rule, an alternate method of application of soil applied termiticide must be approved by the Commission with efficacy data supporting the use of such application technique. The Commission discussed the draft rule which would allow new alternate termiticide technologies. Mr. Gorecki suggested that he go back and discuss details of rulemaking regarding new technologies with Mr. Lastinger. Rulemaking will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- N. Mr. Holley discussed concerns with ventilation standards as it relates to the building code for mobile and modular homes. These concerns are specifically related to inspecting and issuing Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Reports when the structure has a crawlspace. The Commission discussed the various construction methods. Mr. Lastinger will reach out to the Department of Community Affairs for related codes and interpretations and report back to the Commission.
- O. Meeting adjourned at 11:13 AM.

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Agenda

Attachment 2

New Company Licenses

Attachment 3

Administrative Action Report

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

October 11, 2016

Open -Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

a. Pending company license applications

New Business

- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- d. Administrative Enforcement Update Jenny Wren
- e. HPAI, GDA preparedness and what pest management professionals need to know about biosecurity at poultry establishments TBD
- f. Rulemaking
- g. Mobile Home Ventilation Issue Greg Holley
- h. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- i. NPMA update Rick Bell
- j. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING October 11th, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

Precision Pest LLC – Newnan

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

• Guardian Pest Control LLC – Jackson County (name change & insurance).

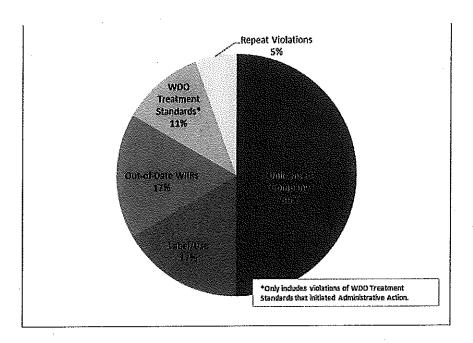
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Structural Pest Section

Administrative Action Violation Report

The graph shows the frequency of violations cited in administrative cases resulting from inspections dated January through June 2016. Many cases involved multiple violations, but this chart only includes those violations that would generate administrative action.

Administrative cases are enforcement actions that may include a monetary penalty, training requirement and/or license suspension/revocation.



November 8, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on November 8, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk (By Phone), and Dr. Brian Forschler.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Dr. Forschler to approve the minutes of the October meeting. Mr. Lastinger seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Robert Cobb, State Veterinarian, discussed the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) and concerns with the Georgia Poultry Industry. He noted that the virus is a foreign animal disease carried by waterfowl, but also highly virulent in poultry. An outbreak of HPAI would be detrimental to the poultry industry. He discussed the importance of biosecurity at the poultry farms as it relates to pest management and the Department's preparations for potential incidents of HPAI in Georgia.
- F. Mr. Ben Morgan regional manager with Aptive Environmental met with the commission regarding reconsideration of a name change request. The company is currently approved as Aptive Environmental, but operates and advertises as Aptive. Concerns were brought to the Commission about the company not operating under their licensed name. The Commission did not approve the original request for the name change under the similar name rule. Aptive requested the name be changed to Aptive Environmental DBA Aptive. Mr. Gorecki suggested that we hold the request and consider when all of the members are present at the meeting.
- G. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. He noted the details for the upcoming January commission meeting. The meeting will be hosted by the Department of Entomology in the Lucy Cobb Chapel which is located at the University of Georgia. Dean Pardue, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Dr. Braman, Chair of the Department of Entomology, plan to attend the meeting. There will also be presentations from several of the graduate students. Dr. Forschler mentioned a special project involving the building of a Farmstead house built with new building products that maximize energy and water efficiency of the structure. The project will allow UGA to study the products. The structure is located on the UGA Tifton campus and he suggested that the Commission consider touring the home at a future Commission meeting. Lastly, Dr. Suiter has several recertification training webinars scheduled.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He noted several upcoming Georgia Grown Winter Showcases that will be taking place at Perimeter Mall and the Shoppes at River

- Crossing. Ms. Jenny Wren explained that the Department is in the process of updating the non-discrimination policy under Title VI. The policy will provide guidelines for making accommodations for persons with disabilities and for those who speak limited English.
- I. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He noted the collaboration with the Commissioner of Insurance regarding the current certificate of insurance form which is required under the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act for new company licensing.
- J. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on rulemaking. He noted that work continues to draft WDO rule amendments.
- K. Mr. Lastinger discussed his research regarding the under-floor space ventilation building codes for modular homes and HUD manufactured mobile homes. He learned that modular homes must meet the same building standards as other residential homes. HUD manufactured homes or trailer/mobile homes are regulated under the State Fire Marshall's Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. He discussed the differences in the code for under-floor space ventilation. The Department will look into possible updates to the Under-floor Space Ventilation Fact Sheet 14-08 to address HUD Manufactured homes.
- L. Mr. Lastinger discussed two press releases that were issued on November 1st regarding Hurricane Matthew flooding in coastal Georgia and the potential for pest problems and the loss of termite prevention measures. There was also an article published in the November 9th issue of the Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin.
- M. Mr. Lastinger noted that Public Notice 16-07 announcing the 2017 Commission meeting dates has been published and posted on the website.
- N. Mrs. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update. She noted that the legislative session is quickly approaching and will start in about two months.
- O. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He noted that the US EPA synthetic pyrethroid risk assessments and the final Certification and Training rule will most likely not be posted until the end of the year or by the beginning of next year. Mr. Lastinger added that ASPCRO, NPMA and SFIREG have partnered to host a workshop that will take place on December 14th. The workshop will focus on the structural and urban use of synthetic pyrethroids and will be attended by US EPA risk evaluators and decision makers.
- P. Meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM.

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

November 8, 2016

Open -Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. HPAI, GDA preparedness and what pest management professionals need to know about biosecurity at poultry establishments Dr. Robert Cobb, State Veterinarian
- b. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- c. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- d. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- e. Rulemaking Update
- f. Mobile Home Ventilation Issue Greg Holley/Derrick Lastinger
- g. Hurricane Matthew & GDA Outreach
- h. Public Notice 16-07
- i. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- j. NPMA update Rick Bell
- k. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING November 8th, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- PC23 Termite & Pest Control-Orlando, FL
- Monitor Pest Control-Vidalia (Sub Office)
- Critter Shield-Vidalia (Sub Office)

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- A&A Family Pest Solutions-Habersham County (Name Change)
- Southern Fumigation and Pest Control, Inc. -Baker County (Name Change, Insurance)
- Matrix Pest Management-Crisp County (Insurance)
- Savannah Termite and Pest Control-Chatham County (Insurance)
- Southern Home Pest Control-Stephens County (Name Change, Insurance)

The Commission did not approve the following applications

Sprout's Pest Control LLC-Dade County, TN

December 13, 2016

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on December 13, 2016. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, Dr. Brian Forschler, Greg Holley, and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Lastinger to approve the minutes of the November meeting. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Mr. Gorecki discussed rulemaking. He presented an Alternate Technology issue and discussion document that was reviewed and further discussed. Termidor HE and HP were also discussed as the products related to the alternate application rule for soil applied termiticides. Under the current rule, these products could be approved for comprehensive or defined treatments for subterranean termites. The Commission recommended that the Department draft a rule to address the alternate application techniques.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He noted that the Department will be moving forward with a new electronic inspection program in 2017. The new program will provide inspection notices and reports electronically.
- G. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He noted that yesterday US EPA released the final certification training regulations. Also, the US EPA Office of Inspector General EPA issued a report regarding an internal review of EPA's oversight of structural fumigants. NPMA and ASPCRO will be holding a pyrethroid workshop tomorrow in Fairfax, Virginia for US EPA risk evaluators for the reregistration of the pyrethroids. Lastly, the *Integrated Pest Management for Georgia Schools and Childcare Facilities* publication should be published soon.
- H. Mr. Tim Taylor discussed recertification course renewals. Currently approved courses must be renewed if the instructor plans to present again in 2017. A notice to instructors and sponsors was sent as a reminder to complete the course renewal process.
- I. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. He noted the details for the upcoming January commission meeting. The meeting will be hosted by the Department of Entomology in the Lucy Cobb Chapel which is located at the University of Georgia. Dean Pardue, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Dr. Braman, Chair of the Department of Entomology, plan to attend the meeting. The meeting will begin at 9:15 AM and include research updates from the entomology students.
- J. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He discussed a recent meeting with spray foam contractors, he would like to issue a buyer information piece regarding the purchasing of a

home to assist with both industries. Lastly, the overtime rule has been held up by a district court and continues to be pursued by the US Department of Labor.

K. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

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December 13, 2016

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- a. Rulemaking
- b. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
- c. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- d. UGA Urban Entomology Update -Dr. Forschler
- e. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- f. NPMA update Rick Bell
- g. Certification Examination Application Review

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THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING December 13th, 2016

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

Trugreen – Acworth (Sub Office)

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Think Green Pest Control Forsyth County (insurance).
- Shaffer Exterminating Walton County (insurance).
- Expert Exterminating Company White County (name change).
- Dead-On Complete Pest Management Putman County (Execution of Consent Order).

Name Change

• Aptive Environmental (100312) to Aptive Environmental DBA Aptive

January 10, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:15 a.m. in the Lucy Cobb Chapel located at the University Of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute Of Georgia on January 10, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair; Christy Kuriatnyk; Dr. Brian Forschler; Bodine Sinyard; Greg Holley; and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. Dean Pardue of the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences (CAES) welcomed the Commission and attendees to the University. He mentioned his great appreciation for the diversity of Georgia Agriculture. He noted the importance of CAES and the huge impact it has on Georgians. He noted that he likes to know what things are not working well so that adjustments can be made along with what is working well.
- E. Dr. Kris Braman, Chair of the Department of Entomology, recognized the important work of Dr. Forschler and Dr. Suiter including the entomology students. She closed with an appreciation for the opportunity to serve the industry in her new role.
- F. Dr. Forschler introduced the Entomology students. Each student provided a brief summary and report on their urban entomology related research projects. He then provided and discussed the annual UGA Household and Structural Entomology Research Program Progress Report to the Commission. He also announced that the Integrated Pest Management for Georgia Schools & Child Care Facilities publication was complete and printed. He noted that while 24 states have mandated programs, the Georgia publication is a great resource and encouraged the industry to implement SIPM programs.
- G. Mr. Gorecki announced the meeting dates for 2017 and noted that the dates are published on the Public Notice located on the Commission website.
- H. Mr. Gray provided the Department update. He thanked the Commission for their hard work and dedication on many challenging issues. He noted a recent meeting with Commissioner Black and Dr. James Sutton as they plan for 2017 under Commissioner Black's leadership. He also thanked Dr. Sutton for being influential in helping the Plant Industry Division fill vacant positions.
- I. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- J. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He noted that Commissioner Black will be speaking Thursday morning at the GPCA Winter Conference. He highlighted the following activities and accomplishments for 2016:

- Development and completion of the Integrated Pest Management for Georgia Schools & Child Care Facilities Publication including a UGA workshop for PMPs and a GDA field staff train-the-trainer workshop.
- Bed Bug outreach project with the Georgia Department of Public Health. The project developed a consumer outreach resource focusing on identification, pesticide safety, health effects, and hiring a professional.
- Commission meetings held at the University of Georgia in Dahlonega and the Georgia Veterans State Park in Cordele.
- o Issued new and revised guidance and notices including the Guidance Policy for Profume Fumigant & "Posting of a Sign" Rule and the Fact Sheet for the Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule.
- Outreach activities that included a press release and/or an article in the Farmers & Consumers Market Bulletin: potential pest concerns and termite protection in response to Hurricane Matthew affected areas, residential mosquito IPM and hiring a licensed mosquito control operator, biosecurity on poultry farms including rodent control, and the Thomasville Farmer's Market drywood termite project with UGA and industry support.
- Developed a new compliance tracking and inspection program that will provide notices and reports to the regulated community by email. The program will also provide more detailed compliance data for the SPCC and GDA.
- K. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on rulemaking. He noted that the Department is working on the draft language for the alternate technology rule that will be available for the February meeting.
- L. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He noted that Commissioner Black was recently named Georgian of the Year by Georgia Trends for his commitment to Georgia agriculture and his efforts to promote the industry and its economic contributions. Mr. Bell also noticed that EPA issued the final rule for certification and training.
- M. Meeting adjourned at 10:32 AM.

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Urban Pest Control Program Report

Chris Gorecki, Chairman

ommissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

January 10, 2017

Open –Chairman Gorecki **Minutes Old Business**

- **New Business**
 - a. University of Georgia
 - i. Dean Pardue, Dean of the College of Agriculture
 - ii. Dr. Kris Braman, Chair of the Department of Entomology
 - iii. Urban Entomology Research Updates Dr. Forschler
 - b. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
 - c. New Company License Applications Tim Taylor
 - d. Rulemaking Update
 - e. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
 - f. NPMA update Rick Bell
 - g. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING January 10th, 2017

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

American Pest Control Inc. – Clayton

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

• Spivey Pest Control - Coweta County (insurance).

URBAN PEST CONTROL PROGRAM HOUSEHOLD AND STRUCTURAL ENTOMOLOGY RESEARCH PROGRAM COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA

DATE OF REPORT TO COMMISSION: January 10, 2017

PROGRESS REPORT:

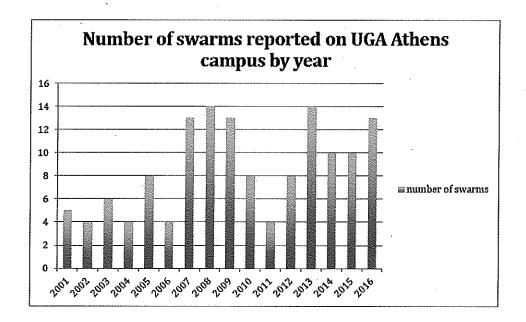
The research program published results from four studies including the transfer of 5 different CSI active ingredients used in termite baits and a summary of fly control efforts in the Tohoku region of Japan after the 2011 tsunami. The program also graduated a PhD candidate that worked on residential mosquito management which illustrated the efficacy of backpack misting along with treatment of larval breeding sites for management of the Asian Tiger mosquito. Fieldwork on drywood and subterranean termites continues with demonstration projects on University property. The drywood project illustrates that efforts to eliminate a widespread structural infestation must involve patience, time and good communication with the customer. The subterranean termite project continues to show most infestations originate from crevices associated with building foundation elements. The information generated by laboratory research on termite response to treatment tactics shows that local treatment with liquid termiticides alter colony foraging which is consistent with previous field work showing a lack of territoriality. This information provides proof that a subterranean termite prevention program aimed at treating critical elements of construction (using liquid, dust, foam and/or physical barriers) combined with use of termite baits can keep structures free of infestation despite the continued presence of populations in the landscape. Graduate students continue to pursue research on projects aimed at aspects of the ecology of termites in forest habitats and their role in wood decomposition, collective decision making in laboratory groups of subterranean termites that shows they behave more like roaches than ants, termite species distribution across the state of Georgia that will illuminate if there are species-specific habitats and invasive red imported fire ant distributions along Georgia's coast illustrating the role that human interventions play in providing suitable habitat for urban pests.

EXPENDITURES:

Graduate student stipend expenditures were approximately \$148,000 in addition to \$8,000 for undergraduate student workers and \$44,000 for supplies and equipment. The State Structural Pest Control Commission research fees were used for a portion of the graduate student stipends, all undergraduate student salary and a part of the equipment and supplies. The remaining costs were paid through extramural grants.

PLANNED RESEARCH:

We plan to address the following research areas over the next year: (1) distribution of fire ants along Georgia coastal islands (2) termite colony decision-making, (3) the distribution of subterranean termite species across the state of Georgia and (3) subterranean termite involvement in soil nutrient cycles.



We have recorded an average of 8 swarms per year over the past 16 years in a demonstration project that involves ~390 buildings on ~780 acres in Athens, Georgia. The project also shows an average of about 3 infestations identified each year without evidence of swarming (through physical plant employees conducting repairs or remodeling). The infestation data from this 16-year demonstration project affords an annual infestation rate of the buildings on the main campus of less than 3%.

February 14, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on February 14, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, Bodine Sinyard, Greg Holley, and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department and Program update. He noted that U.S. EPA has amended registrations for two herbicide products. The registrations allow the herbicide cropping system technology for growers that are battling glyphosate resistance weeds in corn, cotton and soybeans. There will be an additional label requirement specific to Georgia applicators requiring specific training for growers to attend which will mitigate off-target movement of herbicide. The Coweta county commissioners are scheduled to review a current building code that requires the use of a soil applied termiticide for new construction. Consequently, the Department was contacted to provide a letter to the Commissioners to provide information regarding non-soil applied products that are allowed for preventive control of termites. A letter was submitted to the Commissioners which also included language regarding the Georgia Pesticide Use and Application Act prohibition of county and city government from adopting local ordinances and regulations relating to pesticide use in the State of Georgia.
- F. Mr. Taylor provided an update on license renewals. He noted the renewal fees, the training deadline for technicians and the timeline for receiving renewal notices. He noted that a new insurance form is currently under review by the Georgia Insurance Commission and will be available by the next meeting.
- G. Ms. Shannon Fitzgerald provided a presentation on the new electronic inspection program. She noted there will be changes in the way inspection findings are recorded and tracked. Notices of Inspection and Notices of violation or compliance will be emailed to the licensee at the email address associated with the license. She noted that the inspection process and requirements are the same; however the notifications will be received by email and may look a little different. Mr. Sinyard expressed his concerns about the need to maintain a dialogue and compliance assistance time during the routine company inspections. The Commission requested that the Department develop some guidance to assist the industry with inspection terminology and the inspection process.

- H. Ms. Christy Kuriatnyk provided copies of the new "Bed Bugs What You Need To Know" publication. She noted that the Department of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture partnered to develop the publication which includes identification, health effects, pesticide safety and hiring a pest control company. The publication can also be useful for the Healthy Homes program for those households with asthmatic children.
- I. Mr. Gorecki discussed rulemaking and referenced the draft language document that Mr. Lastinger had distributed prior to the meeting. Mr. Gorecki reviewed the rule amendments and the draft alternate application technique rule. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the draft alternate application rule. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed. The remaining issue regarding the WDO contract rule requiring the specific type of treatment will be discussed at the next meeting.
- J. Mrs. Fraulick provided the legislative update. She discussed the legislative calendar and the successful GPCA Legislative Day event held on February 1st.
- K. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He mentioned the upcoming NPMA legislative day which will be held in Washington, DC. He also mentioned the pending confirmation of Governor Sonny Purdue as the Secretary of Agriculture for USDA.
- L. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 AM.

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

Attachment 1:

February 14, 2017

Open -Chairman Gorecki

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Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
 - License renewal and insurance Tim Taylor
 - New inspection and regulatory notices Shannon Fitzgerald
- c. Bed Bug Publication Christy Kuriatnyk
- d. Rulemaking
- e. UGA Urban Entomology Update
- f. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING February 14th, 2017

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Rathel's All-Pro Pest Control-Donalsonville
- Hawks Pest Solutions-Statham

Name Change

- Allgood Pest Solutions (98379,98778,97040,99886,98396,98237,97188) to Allgood Services Inc.
 DBA Cingo
- Post Solutions (100091) to Extermiforce

Did not approve

• Hulsey Pest Management (100118) to Pest Reaper (Name Change)

March 16, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 300B of the Agriculture Building on March 16, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair; Dr. Brian Forschler; Bodine Sinyard; and Greg Holley, (By Phone).
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by name Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. He discussed the May 9thCommission meeting details which will be held on the Tifton campus and include a tour of the Farmstead house. The tour will look at innovative building products and potential pest related issues. Mr. Gorecki suggested that the Commission consider supporting consumer outreach to provide information regarding how certain building practices such as spray foam insulation may affect termite protection services.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department and program update. He introduced Mr. Bo Warren as the new director of policy for the Department. He noted that the Commission requested guidance on inspection and enforcement forms and processes is currently being developed. He also mentioned that with the new inspection program, there will be access to more specific compliance reporting and information. Regarding the new bed bug publication, there were questions during the last meeting on whether the publication could be printed by the pest control associations. The GDA Communications office did approve to allow the associations access to add their logo and print for their members. The Department is planning for pest awareness month and will provide outreach to consumers on how to protect homes and businesses.
- G. Mr. Tim Taylor announced recent changes to the company insurance verification form. He mentioned that due to new requirements by the insurance commission, the Department had made required changes to the insurance verification form. The form is required to be signed and submitted by the DCO with attached copies of the certificate of liability insurance form and endorsements. He provided several reminders for licensing renewals. The Commission requested that the Department provide a renewal information document to assist the industry with renewal preparations and reminders.
- H. Ms. Jenny Wren discussed the recent published School IPM publication. She noted that a new webpage was launched to host the publication and other related resources.
- I. Mrs. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update. She noted that there are only five legislative days left for the session to meet. She also mentioned that Representative

- Dominic LaRiccia is an owner of a pest control company and currently serving in the House. The Commission discussed inviting him to a future meeting.
- J. Mr. Gorecki introduced the rulemaking topic and provided an updated rulemaking document. Mr. Lastinger discussed Issue #3 regarding WDO contracts and the requirement to specify a specific type of application. Considering the different types of WDO control measures, the Commission discussed a rule amendment to require the specific type of minimum adequate control measure as defined in the WDO control measures chapter. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the draft language. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed. Next steps will include posting the rule amendments and holding a public hearing and comment period. Mr. Gorecki requested that the Commission put together training and outreach materials for the rule changes once they become final.
- K. Mr. Lastinger presented a business naming document that highlighted the current requirements under the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act and regulations. In response to suggestions made by the Attorney General's Office to develop guidelines, the document also proposed business naming standards to assist the Commission with determining if a business name is distinguishable and not likely to cause confusion from the name of other businesses. The Commission discussed the standards and policy. Motion was made by Dr. Forschler to accept the document and post as new policy. Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed
- L. Meeting adjourned at 11:21 AM.

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secreta

March 16, 2017

Open -Chairman Gorecki

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- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture
 - Department Update Tommy Gray
 - Program Update Derrick Lastinger
 - License renewal and insurance form Tim Taylor
 - School IPM Jennifer Wren
- d. Rulemaking
- e. Business Naming White Paper
- f. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

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The Commission approved the following applications:

- ATA Family Pest Solutions Buford
- Hope Pest Solutions Hiram (Sub Office)
- Code BB A Pest Company Morrow
- Pestwork Solutions LLC Gainesville

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Last Call Pest Services Dekalb County (insurance).
- Prince Pest Pros Bibb County (insurance).
- ATA Family Pest Solutions Gwinnett (insurance).

Name Change

- White Pest Control (97579) to Astro Exterminating Services of Fitzgerald
- Health Ranch Concepts ((97270) to Hornet Pest Control
- DRT Pest Control (100178) to Nextgen Pest Solutions

April 18, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on April 18, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair; Christy Kuriatnyk; Dr. Brian Forschler (By Phone); Bodine Sinyard (By Phone); Greg Holley; and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Mrs. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. Mr. Lastinger discussed the new Business Naming Policy that was issued as Notice 17-01. He mentioned that last month the Commission made a motion to accept the white paper as the policy. He noted that everyone should have received a copy of the notice.
- E. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- F. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. He noted that the meeting room has been confirmed for the May 9th meeting in Tifton, Georgia. The May meeting Public Notice 17-02 was posted on April 6th. The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM and will be located in room 19 of the UGA Tifton Conference Center which is located at 15 RGC Road in Tifton. He noted that the Commission will also tour the UGA Farmstead structures to look at new construction technology. Dr. Forschler provided a slideshow to show the construction and building components of the Farmstead structures. The tour will provide an opportunity to discuss potential construction related pest issues and concerns. There could be further discussions to raise consumer awareness regarding the risks and benefits of new construction techniques and materials.
- G. Mr. Tommy Gray provided the Department update. He noted that they are closely watching the federal budget cuts as these will impact the Plant industry Division. He mentioned a low pathogenic avian influenza incident that occurred in Chattooga County. GDA employees including Plant Industry Division staff worked diligently to address the incident on a poultry farm. Lastly, he discussed Georgia's blueberry industry and the impact of the recent freezing temperatures on production.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He noted that the program was recently contacted by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection with the Port of Savannah. They contacted the Department in regards to bee swarms that come into the port on the ships and import restrictions. Mr. Lastinger asked if there might be a need to hold a workshop to focus on pollinator protection and bee management and removal. The training could also address rules, regulations and removal techniques. He agreed to contact Dr. Dan Suiter to discuss the issue further. He also mentioned the recent market bulletin article on pest

- control awareness month. The article was sent out to all media contacts through the communications office.
- I. Mr. Taylor provided the renewal update. He noted that certified operators should receive license renewal notices by mail in two weeks. Renewals will also be sent by email to the email address on file. License renewals for the company and registered employees will be sent out mid-May. In response to a request from the Commission, Mr. Taylor noted that over 500 companies were not in compliance with insurance requirements according to licensing records. He urged companies to submit updated insurance forms so that the company license can been renewed next month. Once the company renewals notices are received, the company can add or delete registered employees and renew certified operators attached to the company license. Renewal payments can be paid online and there are no extra fees to the licensee for this service.
- J. Ms. Jenny Wren provided the administrative enforcement summary. (see Attachment 3).
- K. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on rulemaking. He noted that the *Notice of Intent to Consider the Adoption of Amendments to Rules 620-1, 620-3 and 620-6* will be posted on April 21, 2017. The notice will be mailed to certified operators and sent by email to all company licensees and certified operators that have an email address on file. The notice provides a synopsis of each proposed rule change. In addition to the notice and synopsis, a marked version and clean version of the three chapters will be posted on the legal notices webpage. The comment period for the rule changes will be from April 21st to the close of business (4:30 pm EDT) on May 22, 2017. Comments can be submitted by email to spcc@agr.georigia.gov or by mail. There will be a public hearing is scheduled for May 23rd at 9:30 AM in room 201 of the Agriculture Building.
- L. Mrs. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update.
- M. Mr. Gorecki provided the NPMA update noting port fumigation issues at a port in New Jersey.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

Commissioner Gary W. Black, Secretary

April 18, 2017

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- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
 - License Renewal 2017 Tim Taylor
 - Enforcement Jennifer Wren
- d. Rulemaking
- e. Public Notice 17-01 & 17-02
- f. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING April 18th, 2017

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Anthem Pest Control LLC DBA Anthem Buford
- DueSouth Pest Prevention, LLC Newnan
- Trugreen McDonough (Sub Office)
- Akima Global Services Fort Gordon

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Citadel Pest Management, LLC (name change).
- Best Pest (Name Change)

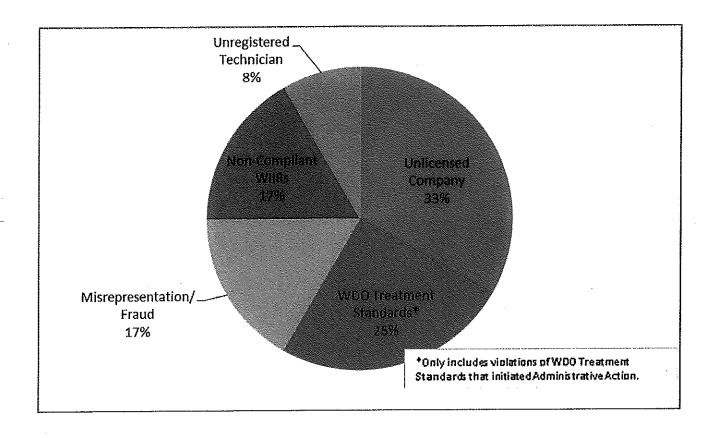
Name Change

- Hankey Pest Control (100259)) to Green Queen
- Georgia Technologies of Marietta, LLC (98248) to Southern Seasons Pest Solutions, LLC
- Douglas Pest Control (98969) to DPC Services Termite & Pest Control

Administrative Action Violation Report

The graph shows the frequency of violations cited in administrative cases resulting from inspections dated July through December 2016. Many cases involved multiple violations, but this chart only includes those violations that generate administrative action.

Administrative cases are enforcement actions that may include a monetary penalty, training requirement and/or license suspension/revocation.



May 9, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:00 a.m. in Room 19 of the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center Building on May 9th, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki; Chair, Derrick Lastinger; Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk; Dr. Brian Forschler; Bodine Sinyard; Greg Holley and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Assistant Dean West welcomed everyone to the UGA Tifton Campus. Dean West discussed the 2200 acres of fields dedicated to research and highlighted some of the work that is benefiting the Agriculture Industry.
- F. Mr. Gorecki thanked Dr. Forschler for setting up a tour of the Farmstead house on the Tifton campus which took place on May 8, 2017. The tour included a look at some of the new building products that have the potential to cause some challenges with pest management.
- G. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. He thanked Mr. Lastinger and Mr. Mike Evans with the Department of Agriculture for bringing these construction practices to the attention of the Commission. Dr. Forschler also credited Mr. Lastinger with providing an opportunity for the Commission to get involved in the revisions to the Georgia Energy Code, which is being updated by the 2015 International Energy Conservation Code Task Force. Dr. Forschler indicated this will provide an opportunity for the Commission to voice an opinion and discuss the possible need for a white paper for consumers and builders to be aware of the potential pest management issues that can arise with these construction methods. Dr. Forschler indicated that this conversation and tour were a good starting point and that by the end of the year the Commission may be able to provide a statement or position to present on this issue. Dr. Forschler proposed that the Commission focus on addressing the updates to the Codes since these codes will lead the building industry. Dr. Forschler reiterated the need for any statement from the Commission to focus on addressing the issues at the level of the builder and that the industry may have to choose not to issue contracts on this type of construction and make that known to the consumer.

- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He noted that under White House Executive Order 13777 on regulatory reform, US EPA is asking for input on regulations. In response, the National regulatory and industry associations are putting together comments which are due by May 15, 2017. He indicated that the Department is also planning on submitting comments and that Commissioner Black is scheduled to attend a Senate hearing on May 11, on behalf of NASDA and the Georgia Department of Agriculture to provide comments on behalf of NASDA. Mr. Lastinger stated that once the comments are finalized they could be shared with the Commission.
- I. Mr. Tim Taylor discussed license renewals and indicated that the certified operator renewals have gone out via email and mail and that the company renewals are scheduled to go out in mid-May, though a date has not been set. Mr. Taylor indicated that the Commission had requested that renewal instructions be developed and this was completed and sent via email and posted on the Department's website. Mr. Taylor indicated that certification renewals appear to be going well, approximately 800 certified operators have renewed so far.
- J. Ms. Fitzgerald provided an update on routine company inspections. She indicated that the Section is focusing on companies that may have avoided state inspections. These companies are being prioritized for an inspection by the close of the fiscal year. Mr. Lastinger pointed out that there have been a number of vacancies in the program that may have caused some companies to fall through the cracks, but reiterated the program's commitment to getting these companies inspected by the close of the fiscal year. Ms. Fitzgerald also stated that another potential tool the program may use to get the companies that have been avoiding inspections back into compliance is to suspend their license and not allow renewal until the inspection has been completed.
- K. Mr. Gorecki provided the Rule making update. He announced that the public hearing will be May 23, 2017 and the deadline for written comments is May 22, 2017. Mr. Lastinger indicated that comments have been coming in and he offered the choice of providing the written comments to the Commission prior to the public hearing or waiting until after the public hearing and providing all comments both written and verbal at once. The Commission indicated they would like to wait until after the public hearing and review all comments at once. Mr. Lastinger indicated that the Public Notice is posted on the Department's Legal Services website; there is also a link on the Commission website. Dr. Forschler asked if there have been many comments, Mr. Lastinger replied that there have only been a few received.
- L. Mr. Gorecki provided the NPMA update and indicated that they are working on some legislative initiatives for the industry. Mr. Lastinger mentioned a fumigation workshop he

attended, hosted by ASPCRO and NMPA for EPA staff members at the fumigation school at the University of Florida in Davie, FL. The focus was on non-soil fumigants, in particular, structural, chamber and port fumigations. He indicated that many of the questions from EPA staff were in reference to items in the US EPA Office of Inspector General Report issued late last year that had several recommendations including site security. He stated ASPCRO has formed a committee to assist EPA with recommendations. Mr. Lastinger indicated that some additional documentation required by Florida and California may be helpful. Mr. Lastinger also mentioned that NMPA is working with the registrants for fumigation stewardship to assist EPA, and that some labels require additional training; however, there is currently no standard for that training and NPMA is offering assistance to EPA for guidance.

M. The meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

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Chris Gorecki, Chairman

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THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING May 9th, 2017

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

Name Change

- Holders Pest Control Services (96024) to Holders Pest and Wildlife Services
- Excalibur Services (98346) to Excalibur Kelby Pest Services

June 13, 2017

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on June 13, 2017. The following commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair, Derrick Lastinger, Vice-chair, Christy Kuriatnyk, Dr. Brian Forschler, Bodine Sinyard, Greg Holley, and Kim Bragg.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the May meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA update. Dr. Dan Suiter plans to host a webinar on bee pest management and pollinator protection in the spring of 2018.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the Department update. He noted that Commissioner Black and Governor Deal recently recognized the state employees that were involved in the recent avian influenza incident in Northwest Georgia for their work. He discussed the announcement from U.S. EPA certification and training rule that amended 40 CFR. The rule implementation date has been delayed to May 22, 2018. Mr. Lastinger discussed several industry inquiries regarding the use of red eye termite bait stations. The red eye termite bait station has been developed and distributed by a pest control operator out of Florida; it is a monitoring only station that has a red and green indicator which indicates when termites are feeding on the station. He noted that the station distributer instructs the user to inject the station with a liquid termiticide using the station port when the station indicates red. After full review of the use of product with treating the station with a liquid termiticide, the Department found that the product would not meet the control standards for subterranean termites.
- G. Mr. Taylor provided a renewal update for 2017. He reminded everyone of the renewal deadlines. He reported that 462 companies, 1,527 certified operators and 2,854 technicians have been renewed. All licenses that have not been renewed by June 30th will expire. Inspectors will be checking on companies starting August 1st who have not renewed their license.
- H. Ms. Fitzgerald discussed the draft guidance regarding state inspections. The new guidance was requested by the Commission and outlines the areas of inspection and details the Department notices of compliance, non-compliance and enforcement.
- Mr. Gorecki provided an update on rulemaking. All the comments and the transcripts were sent to the Commission members. The Commission members confirmed receiving and reviewing the documents provided. The Commission discussed the comments and decided to make the following 4 edits.

- 1. **Chapter 620-3 Licensing:** Further restrict that the certified operator is certified in the appropriate operational category of structural pest control.
- 2. **Chapter 620-6 WDO:** On the Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report Condition 3, keep the "Exception Form II" language.
- 3. **Chapter 620-6 WDO:** duplicate the definition for control measures in the WDO definitions section.
- 4. **Chapter 620-6 WDO:** The current language in each control measures section reads in part, "Application of an approved pesticide registered by EPA and/or the Georgia Department of Agriculture." Change to read "Application of an approved pesticide registered by EPA and the Georgia Department of Agriculture."

The Commission requested that GDA draft the revised amendments for review at the August Commission Meeting. Mr. Gorecki requested that the state pest control associations submit rule amendment related questions to the Commission. He recognized the Department for the work on the rule change and the industry for active engagement in the process.

- J. Mr. Gorecki provided the NPMA update. NPMA is working on FIFRA related regulatory reform to make pesticide product registration work smarter and to get new products through the registration process faster. Mr. Sinyard recognized Mr. Gorecki for his work with NPMA on the regulatory reform effort.
- K. Mr. Lastinger reminded everyone that the next meeting will be August 1st. There will not be a July Commission meeting. The September Commission meeting is being planned for Rome, Georgia. The certification examination notifications will be reviewed and processed as scheduled in July. The new company license applications will be reviewed and voted on in the August meeting.
- L. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

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THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING June 13th, 2017

Company License Applications & Company Name Change Requests

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Cingo Atlanta
- American Pest Control Inc. Winder
- American Pest Control Inc. Washington
- Food Protection Services, LLC South Pittsburg TN
- Atlanta Outsourced Service Professionals Termite & Rodent Solutions Powder Springs
- Judy's Pest Service Snellville

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Team Pest USA -- Henry County (\$70.00 Research Fee Payment)
- Cornerstone Pest Services LLC Henry County (Name Change)

Name Change

- Edge Exterminating (100020) to Earth Right Exterminating
- Southern Wildlife Management, LLC dba Spray It Forward (100361) to Southern Pest Management, LLC
- Nextgen Pest Solutions (100178) to DRT Pest Control
- Orbit Pest Control (99231) to Bug Out Service, LLC