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**INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE**

**PESTICIDE BUSINESS & RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE DEALER (RUP)  
LOCATION CREDENTIALING**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

IC 15-16-5-48 establishes that a pesticide business license must be obtained for each unique location or business name from which pesticide use or application for-hire is conducted.

IC 15-16-5-57 establishes that registration shall be required for each business location distributing restricted use pesticides to certified end users.

The following explanation should assist in determining whether a particular entity or location requires a pesticide business license or a restricted use pesticide dealer registration.

**II. WHEN IS A PESTICIDE BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIRED?**

In general, a pesticide business license is required for each location where pesticide application orders are taken or where pesticides are stored, mixed, or loaded on a for hire basis. A pesticide business license is **not required** if the business location or business name:

1. does not receive for-hire orders to apply pesticides for hire are taken at the location, **and**
2. the location is not advertised to the general public in any way **and**
3. the location is not open or accessible to the general public.

**III. WHEN IS A RUP DEALER REGISTRATION REQUIRED?**

In general, a RUP dealer registration is required for each business location that distributes or brokers restricted use pesticides to certified users. “Business location” means the physical site of each office, warehouse, salesroom, or other establishment with a distinct mailing or electronic address at which orders for pesticide products with restricted uses are brokered or accepted from certified users. *This would include facilities whose function includes allowing customers to pick up their RUP purchases.* A RUP dealer registration is **not required** if the location is used solely to store pesticides.