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To: Category 7b (termite control) Licensed Businesses

From: George Saxton, Compliance Officer

**Re:** Preconstruction Termiticide Treatment Notification Rule (355 IAC 4-5)

On March 1, 2010 the rule that addresses termiticide application and record keeping was revised to add a definition of "preconstruction termiticide treatment" and add a requirement that termiticide applicators notify the Office of the Indiana State Chemist (OISC) in advance of making a termite control pre-treat application.

This new advance notification requirement was developed after years of discussion with the termite control industry of Indiana. The purpose of the requirement is to allow OISC the opportunity to monitor pre-treats as they are being made or inspect those pre-treat applications soon after they occur.

The focus of these inspection and monitoring activities will be to insure that applicators are following label directions and label directed application rates during pre-treats. The Indiana Pesticide Review Board and the termite control industry believe that such close oversight will result in a more level playing field for licensed applicators. It should also result in a greater degree of confidence from the customer that the long term protection needs for the pre-treated structure have been met.

### New details of the revised rule are as follows:

- 1) Category 7b businesses must notify OISC at least 3 hours in advance of a pre-treat application.
- 2) The notification must be in writing. This may include a fax of the completed form (*reverse side of this notice*) to George Saxton at 765-494-4331 or completing the on-line form located on the OISC web site at <a href="http://www.isco.purdue.edu/pesticide/pretreat/pretreat.html">http://www.isco.purdue.edu/pesticide/pretreat.html</a>.
- 3) The category 7b business may telephone OISC first and submit the written notification afterward if the customer gives the business less than 3 hours advance notice before the pre-treat is to occur. Telephone or leave a message for George Saxton at **1-800-893-6637**. Provide the same verbal information that will be provided as a follow-up in writing.
- 4) The "termite control customer disclosure form" that was previously required to be filed with OISC for any less-than-label termiticide application is no longer required to be submitted to OISC for <u>any</u> pre-treat or post construction jobs. Such forms still need to be created and kept as part of the termiticide application record, but you are no longer required to send that form in to OISC.

Questions may be directed to George Saxton at <a href="mailto:saxtong@purdue.edu">saxtong@purdue.edu</a> or 765-494-1582.

# **Pre-Treat Notification**

Please submit this form at least three (3) hours prior to application on a customer's property. All fields on this form are required.

DATE AND TIME OF TREATMENT	
Date of Treatment (mm/dd/yyyy format):	
Time of Treatment:	: a.m. p.m.
CERTIFIED APPLICATOR INFORMATION	
Company (Employer Name):	
Certified Applicator's Name:	
License Number of Certified Applicator	
responsible for this treatment (4-8 characters):	
Certified Applicator's Phone Number	
(including area code):	
CUSTOMER (TREATMENT SITE) INFORMATION	
Name of Customer:	
Physical Location (of treatment site):	
County (of treatment site):	
City (of treatment site):	
Estimated Square Footage for this application:	< 1,000 FT <sup>2</sup>
	1,000 - 5,000 FT <sup>2</sup>
	5,000 - 10,000 FT <sup>2</sup>
	> 10,000 FT <sup>2</sup>

For specific inquiries, contact George Saxton (Pesticide Compliance Officer) at 765-494-1582.

FAX this form to George Saxton at: 765-494-4331