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Subject: DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION'S PROPOSED RISK
MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVE FOR CHLORPYRIFOS

As part of the Department of Pesticide Regulation's (DPR) evaluation of pesticides as potential toxic air contaminants (TAC), we understand that DPR has identified the pesticide chlorpyrifos as a TAC. We also understand that DPR has determined that interim mitigation measures, which became effective on January 1, 2019, are not sufficiently health protective and that there are no other feasible mitigation options. Therefore, DPR is proposing to cancel the registration of chlorpyrifos in California.

We are aware that Food and Agricultural Code section 14023(e) requires DPR to consult with the California Air Resources Board regarding the need for and appropriate degree of control for pesticides identified as TACs, and that DPR is similarly required to consult with the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment and the affected local air districts. At your request, we have reviewed the proposed risk management directive for chlorpyrifos. We support the proposed decision by DPR to cancel the registration of chlorpyrifos.

If you have questions, please contact me at (916) 322-8285 or via email at richard.boyd@arb.ca.gov.

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