

**DEGESCH AMERICA, INC.
RE-CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019**

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- 8:00 a.m. Jim Smiley - DEGESCH America, Inc. - **Welcome & Opening Comments**
- 8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Debbie Brown – Pesticide Investigator VDACS - Office of Pesticide Services - **Legal Aspects & Updates on Pesticide Laws and Regulation**
- 8:45 a.m.-9:45 a.m. Mike McLean Degesch America, Inc. – **Pesticide Safety, Monitoring & Storage** – This presentation cites language from the U.S. EPA approved Applicator’s Manual on how to safely apply, monitor and store metal phosphide fumigants. Examples from real life experiences are used to demonstrate actual field conditions that have been encountered in regards to these practices.
- 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Morning Break
- 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Trooper Scott Parsons – **VA State Police – D.O.T. Update & HazMat Regulations**– D.O.T. Regulatory Compliance review for Pest Control Operations. Pest Control operations that use and transport certain Restricted Use Pesticides. Topics include Material of Trade Exceptions, Shipping Paper Requirements, Placarding, Labeling, Marking and Securement.
- 11:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m. Dannis Warf, Regional Sales Manager - Central Life Science – **Integrated Pest Management** – An in-depth discussion of Stored Product Pests to include tools to monitor and record pest activities and developing a corrective plan. Also includes hands-on insect identification.
- **There will be a Q&A Session this afternoon. Please complete the Q&A Sheet in your program booklet and return to Susan Nichols by the end of lunch.
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

- 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Vernon Schmidt, R.J. Reynolds – **General Pest Control – Stored Products** – Proper use techniques for effective control of infestations of rodents, insects and related pests.
- 2:00 p.m. –3:00 p.m. Ben Harl – Cardinal Professional Products – **Sulfuryl Fluoride Update & Structural Fumigations** – What we know and what we must do. When pest populations reach unmanageable levels, one choice for eradication of all life stages of these pests -- fumigation. We know that we can introduce a fumigant into a structure, keep it there long enough to eliminate the pests and clear out the building to allow safe re-occupation of the structure. This process does not happen easily, weeks of planning, scheduling and site preparation takes to successfully obtain the end goal...dead bugs. Safety is one of the primary goals we must pay close attention to, so this presentation will help you think about only two aspects of every fumigation – aeration and general safety.
- 3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. Afternoon Break
- 3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Bob Warren, President – IPM Solutions
Sanitation Practices – Sanitation Practices for the food industry to reduce pest pressures.
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Q&A Session
- 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Blake Buckner, Wilson Division Manager, Degesch America, Inc.-
Various Commodity Fumigations – Discussion of various strategies and techniques of stored commodity fumigations to include Fumigation Management Plans.
- Kevin McCreedy, Gulf Coast Division Manager, Degesch America, Inc. - **Fumigation of Vessels** – Discussion of the in-transit fumigation of commodities loaded aboard ocean-going vessels, including: Types of vessels, vessel inspection & suitability, FGIS acceptable application methods, responsibilities of the Fumigator-in-Charge.