Memorandum

To: Termiticide Registrants

From: Carl E. Falco, Secretary
Structural Pest Control Committee

Date: January 6, 2004

Re: Requirements for Commercial Use of Termiticides

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise you of 2 NCAC 34.0502, which sets forth requirements for the approval of commercial use termiticides. Rule .0502 states:

02 NCAC 34.0502 PESTICIDES FOR SUBTERRANEAN TERMITE PREVENTION AND/OR CONTROL
(a) Through June 30, 1999, any pesticide may be used for the prevention or control of subterranean termites provided that it bears an EPA-approved label for such use and the pesticide is applied according to the directions of its label.
(b) Effective July 1, 1999, only those products which bear an EPA-approved label for such use and for which the Committee has received the following information may be used for subterranean termite control:
   (1) A statement from the pesticide registrant that the termiticide is primarily intended, either for use:
       (A) as a supplement to or in combination with other treatment(s); or
       (B) by itself, as the sole source of termite control; and
   (2) For termiticides under Part (b)(1)(B) of this Rule, data to support all efficacy claims made on the label, labeling and any promotional materials distributed by the registrant or manufacturer.
(c) Effective July 1, 2002, only those products approved by the Committee based on the data submitted pursuant to Subparagraph (b)(2) of this Rule may be used for the prevention or control of subterranean termites. The Committee shall approve the product if the data submitted substantially supports the efficacy claims.

In order for termiticides registered in North Carolina to be used by commercial applicators in for hire termite control after the effective date of this rule registrants must provide the information indicated in .0502(1) and (2) above.

For liquid, soil-applied termiticides, efficacy data developed by the U.S. Forest Service is adequate. For baits or products applied directly to wood, the data should be derived from field tests of the product when used as directed by the label.

Data or questions concerning these requirements should be directed to: Carl E. Falco, Secretary, Structural Pest Control Committee, 1001 MSC, Raleigh, NC 27699-1001.