

Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission Fiscal Year 2019 Report to the Governor



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As required by O.C.G.A. 43-45-8 (3), the Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission submits the following annual report of the activities, expenditures and other matters pertinent to the operation of the commission.

The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission met monthly during Fiscal Year 2019 on the following dates:

August 7	February 12
September 11	March 12
October 9	April 16
November 13	May 14
December 11	June 11
December 11	June 11

January 8

All meetings began at 9:30 AM in the Agriculture Building with the exception of the December 11th meeting held at 10:30 AM, the January 8th meeting held at 9:00 AM at the Lucy Cobb Chapel in Athens, the February 12th meeting held at 10:30 AM, and the April 16th meeting held at 9:30 AM at the Enterprise Mill in Augusta.

Expenditures for the Commission and records of attendance for each member are included.

Minutes for the Commission meetings are included. If additional information is needed regarding the report, contact Derrick Lastinger, Director of Structural Pest Division, at 404-656-2111 or derrick.lastinger@agr.georgia.gov

Gary W. Black

STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION PER DIEM AND TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2019

NAME	JULY	AUG	SEPT	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
Chris Gorecki	(N)	(T)	(P)	(ABS)	(P)	(P)	(P)	(ABS)	(P)	(P)	(P)	(P)	
Derrick Lastinger	(N)	(P)											
Christy Kuriatnyk	(N)	(P)	(P)	(T)	(T)	(T)	(P)	(ABS)	(P)	(P)	(P)	(P)	
Dr. Brian Forschler	(N)	(T)	(P)	(ABS)	(ABS)	(T)	(P)	(P)	(T)	(P)	(P)	(T)	
J Bodine Sinyard	(N)		(T)			(T)			(T)	(A)			
Per Diem		\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00			\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 735.00
Transportation		\$ 198.38		\$ 198.38	\$ 198.38		\$ 248.24	\$ 211.12			\$ 211.12	\$ 211.12	\$ 1,476.74
Greg Holley	(N)				(T)						(T)		
Per Diem		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 945.00
Transportation		\$ 61.04	\$ 61.04	\$ 61.04		\$ 61.04	\$ 52.78	\$ 64.96	\$ 64.96	\$ 168.78		\$ 64.96	\$ \$ 660.60
Kim Bragg	(N)		(ABS)			(T)					(A)		
Per Diem		\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		\$ 105.00	\$ 840.00
Transportation		\$ 156.96		\$ 156.96	\$ 156.96		\$ 109.04	\$ 167.04	\$ 167.04	\$ 7.54		\$ 167.04	\$ 1,088.58
TOTAL													\$ 5,745.92

⁽P) = Present

⁽ABS) = Absent

⁽CAN) = Cancelled

⁽T) = Teleconference

⁽N) = No meeting scheduled

August 7, 2018

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:33 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on August 7, 2018. All Commission members were present including Dr. Forschler, and Mr. Gorecki, via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, Athens Technical College President and team members, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission addressed Mr. Walt Gewin's request to review the Partial Treatment Rule and reviewed his sample contract. After discussion, the Commission found that the proposal did not meet the criteria for structural protection. Mr. Lastinger will draft a response.
- E. Motion was made by Dr. Forschler to delay the Commission election to September. Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed.
- F. Mr. Lastinger introduced Dr. Andrea Daniel, President of Athens Technical College. Dr. Daniel thanked GDA for the long-standing and successful partnership and shared their goals of providing training and training assistance to the industry. Dr. Daniel announced the new online Employee Registration Exam Preparation Course and introduced Mr. Andrew Palmer. Mr. Palmer gave a brief presentation of the course and answered questions. Mr. Lastinger thanked Dr. Daniel and her team and expressed GDA's appreciation for their cooperation and support.
- G. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- H. Mr. Tim Taylor discussed several recent incidents of examinees found cheating on examinations and reviewed Notice 07-01 Cheating on Exam Policy.
- I. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology Update. Classes are back in session. He discussed student work on ants in sea turtle nests and a project on hand held compression sprayers. He announced that IPM workshops will be held at the UGA Griffin Campus on August 9 and 23 and Termite workshops are scheduled for September 6-7 and September 20-21.
- J. Mr. Gray provided the department update. He announced that Ms. Jenny Wren was recently promoted to the Ag Inputs Program Director position and recognized her previous work as administrative enforcement manager for Structural Pest and Ag Inputs. Mr. Gray also announced the GDA Food Safety Division was awarded the Elliott O. Grosvenor Food Safety Award by the Association of Food and Drug Officials. He recognized Food Safety's Director, Ms. Natalie Adan, for her hard work.
- K. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He discussed some updates to current inspection policies that are part of an effort to improve inspection standardization and address compliance monitoring of current WDO related services and product labels. Full

- implementation of the policies has been delayed. The delay will allow more time for communications. He also stated that the State Inspection Fact Sheet has been revised and is posted on the SPCC website.
- L. The Commission discussed the draft Employee Registration Fact Sheet that was distributed at the June meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Gorecki to approve the Employee Registration Policy. Ms. Bragg and Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed.
- M. Ms. Julie McPeak discussed the recommendations made to Commissioner Black regarding spray foam insulation and termites. She discussed consumer outreach that may include a press release. Mr. Gorecki expressed his appreciation to Julie and the Commissioner for helping to get the word out.
- N. Mr. Lastinger discussed the draft revision to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule. Ms. Fitzgerald reported that since February 1, 2017, GDA has 7 regulatory retreat cases that each involved the department responding to a complaint from the homeowner. Mr. Gorecki has reached out to Dow AgroSciences for retreatment protocol information for their termite bait products. He recommended having more time for additional research before making any revisions. An announcement was made that Dow AgroSciences will become Corteva Agriscience effective June 1, 2019.
- O. Mr. Gorecki discussed the draft Alternate Application Technique Guidance. He mentioned that there is a conflict with the defined treatment rule requiring the treatment of the soil beneath the slab of earth filled porches. GDA's legal team advised that a rule change is necessary to remove the requirement.
- P. Mr. Rick Bell provided the legislative and NPMA updates. He also announced that OSHA is creating new guidelines for Silica PEL (Permissible Exposure Limit) for brick and mortar drilling.
- Q. Mr. Lastinger recognized GPCA's new president, Mr. Stuart Sinyard, and expressed appreciation for his attendance.
- R. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

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Kim Bragg, Consumer Affairs & Protection Representative

Agenda

August 7, 2018

Open – Vice-chairman Lastinger

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- Georgia Pest Exam Update Dr. Andrea Daniel, President, Athens Technical College
- b. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- c. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- d. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
- e. Draft Employee Registration Policy
- f. Spray Foam Insulation Julie McPeak
- g. Draft Revision Compliance Fact Sheet: Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule
- h. Draft AAT guidance Chris Gorecki
- i. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- NPMA update Rick Bell
- k Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Veterans Home Proof LLC Powder Springs
- Discovery Termite and Pest Control LLC Fayetteville
- Arrow Exterminators Woodstock
- Knox Pest Control Newnan
- Arrow Exterminators Alpharetta
- TruServ Pest Solutions Inc. Clarkesville

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- The Bug Doctor Catoosa County (insurance)
- 120 Pest Cherokee County (insurance)

The Commission did not approve the following applications:

• Will Kill Pest Control – Dekalb County

September 11, 2018

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:34 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on September 11, 2018. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley; Dr. Brian Forschler and Christy Kuriatnyk. Bodine Sinyard was present via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the minutes of the August meeting. Ms. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to nominate Chris Gorecki as Commission chairman and Derrick Lastinger as vice-chairman for the new fiscal year. Ms. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and motion passed.
- E. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- F. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology Update. He announced that the January Commission meeting will be in Athens and more details will be shared at a future meeting. He discussed student work on yellow jackets, spray nozzle tips, and flight times of termites. The UGA Griffin campus has added a display to demonstrate what spray foam insulation looks like installed in a crawl space. Mr. Lastinger also mentioned that the Georgia energy building codes are in the process of being amended.
- G. Dr. James Sutton gave the department update. The Perry National Fair will have a baby barn this year. He encouraged everyone to visit it and witness the birth of a cow. Dr. Sutton expressed his appreciation to the commission members for serving on the SPCC.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. Ms. Kuriatnyk announced a Healthy Homes event that will take place at the Perry National Fair Market Place. The outreach event will provide health resources to the central Georgia region. GDA is assisting with volunteers to work the Pest Day.
- I. Mr. Tim Taylor provided an update on the Employee Registration Exam Prep Course. An announcement will be made when the course is available to the industry.
- J. Ms. Julie McPeak announced that a Spray Foam Insulation Press Release went out on September 5th. Several media outlets have published stories and more will follow. She shared a message from Commissioner Black that the purpose of the press release is for consumer awareness so that they know to contact their pest control companies regarding their termite control contracts. Mr. Gorecki expressed his appreciation to Julie and the Commissioner for their involvement. A brief discussion was held between commission members and industry members.
- K. Mr. Gorecki discussed the draft revision to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule and the information he received from Dow AgroSciences for their retreatment protocol for their termite bait products. The revision remains under review.

- L. Ms. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update and that the current focus is on the upcoming election.
- M. Mr. Gorecki discussed the draft Alternate Application Technique Guidance and the conflict with the defined treatment rule requiring the treatment of the soil beneath the slab of earth filled porches. He mentioned that a draft of the rule amendment will be submitted for review and consideration.
- N. Mr. Gorecki provided the NPMA Update. ASPCRO recently held their annual conference recently in San Antonio, Texas. He provided an update on the Senate and House Farm Bills and OSHA's Silica PEL (Permissible Exposure Limit) guidelines.
- O. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 AM.

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September 11, 2018

Open -Chairman Gorecki

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. FY19 Election of Officers
- b. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- c. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- d. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
- e. Spray Foam Insulation Press Release Julie McPeak
- f. Draft Revision Compliance Fact Sheet: Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule
- g. AAT Rule Chris Gorecki
- h. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- i. NPMA update Rick Bell
- j. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Mission Locust Grove
- Mossy Creek Pest Control Cleveland

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Sleeptite Treutlen County (insurance)
- Shawns Pest Management Monroe County (insurance)
- Green and Gone Turf and Pest Control, LLC Cobb County (insurance)

October 9, 2018

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:34 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on October 9, 2018. The following Commission members were present: Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley; Bodine Sinyard; and Kim Bragg. Christy Kuriatnyk was present via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Mr. Lastinger provided the UGA Urban Entomology Update. UGA held a School IPM workshop on August 23rd to assist PMPs that manage pest control in schools. The workshop was recently highlighted in an article published by the UGA Media Newswire. Ms. Nan Collier was recognized for her assistance and quoted in the article. BASF recently sponsored Adopt-A-PSEP (Pesticide Safety Education Program) to benefit pesticide applicator education provided by UGA.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. Ms. Kuriatnyk gave an update on the Healthy Homes event held at the Perry National Fair Market Place. She appreciated Ms. Nan Collier and Mr. Travis Whitley for working the designated Pest Day. Mr. Lastinger announced that Governor Nathan Deal had just issued a state of emergency in most South and Central Georgia counties in preparation of hurricane Michael. Mr. Lastinger also announced a Pesticide Clean Day that will be held on November 14th at the Sunbelt Expo in Moultrie. He discussed a new outreach effort that will include a regulatory column that the trade associations can publish in their magazines. The first article will be titled "Why Not Ask?". Mr. Tim Taylor and Mr. Travis Whitley were recognized for their presentations at the recent CPCO Conference held in Hampton. A Public Notice is being drafted for the proposed SPCC 2019 meeting dates, the first meeting will be January 8th in Athens at the Lucy Cobb Chapel of UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government.
- G. Mr. Tim Taylor provided several reminders regarding 2019 license renewals including: employee registration training must be completed by February 28th. Registered Employees that tested on or after October 1st will be exempt from meeting the training requirement. He also reminded everyone that employee transfers and certification and registration replacement cards can now be requested and paid for online. GDA continues to receive positive feedback from the industry regarding these online services.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the spray foam Insulation update. Douglas Products issued a notice of recommendation for their fumigation products Vikane and Master Fume. The recommendation is to not use these products in structures that have spray foam insulation in attics that are not ventilated. Ensystex issued a similar recommendation for the use of

- their product, Zythor. Ms. Faye Golden announced that representatives from Douglas Products will be at the PSEP Conference in Opelika, Alabama on October 29- 30. The Market Bulletin recently published an article on spray foam insulation and termites in the September issue. Mr. Lastinger also shared a Georgia Department of Community Affairs update regarding new energy codes that will go into effect in 2020.
- I. Mr. Lastinger discussed the revisions to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the *Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule*. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the draft revision to the Compliance Fact Sheet for the Termite Warranty Retreatment Rule. Ms. Bragg and Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- J. The Commission reviewed and discussed the draft rule amendment to the Alternate Application Technique rule. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to move forward with the rule amendment. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and motion passed.
- K. Ms. Lauren Fralick provided the legislative update, reminding everyone to vote on November 6th. Study committees will resume after the election.
- L. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA Update. The Senate and House Farm Bills expired on October 1st. North Carolina Agriculture Commissioner, Steve Troxler, issued a consumer alert regarding potential issues with termite baits following flooding from hurricane Florence. Massachusetts joins California in a proposed bill banning the use of rodenticides. PestWorld will be held October 23-26 in Orlando, Florida.
- M. Meeting adjourned at 10:12 AM.

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- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
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- d. Spray Foam Insulation Updates
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- f. AAT Rule
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- h. NPMA update Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Savannah Termite & Pest Control Statesboro (Sub Office)
- People's Pest Control, LLC Phoenix City, AL
- Safeway Pest Control, LLC Hephzibah
- Vortex Pest Control Dallas

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

• Tfalls Pest Control – Cherokee County (insurance)

November 13, 2018

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:37 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on November 13, 2018. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Bodine Sinyard; and Kim Bragg. Christy Kuriatnyk and Greg Holley were present via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the October meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Mr. Lastinger provided the spray foam insulation update. The local Fox5 news station has aired 2 stories regarding spray foam insulation and issues like termites. Mr. Gorecki has reached out to the Chemistry Council for information while NPMA coordinates a meeting with the National Spray Foam Alliance.
- F. Ms. Bettie Sleeth, Regulatory Affairs Consultant, for the Home Builders Association of Georgia was welcomed by the Commission. She gave an update on their annual Home Builders meeting. She thanked Mr. Sammie Baker and Mr. Rick Bell for bringing the spray foam issue to their attention. She and the Commission discussed the new energy code amendment and current code requirements effecting the spray foam installers. The energy code amendment will be voted on November 14, 2018, but comments can be submitted until January 15, 2019. Enforcement of the new code amendments will start January 1, 2020. Ms. Sleeth answered questions from Commission members and attendees and offered continued assistance to the Commission. Mr. Gorecki expressed his appreciation for her attendance.
- G. Mr. Tommy Gray provided the department update. He discussed the department's response efforts to hurricane Michael. The impact on South Georgia's agriculture is now estimated at over \$2.5 billion. He recognized Mr. Lastinger and many other employees for working with GEMA on the emergency response. Mr. Gray shared that Commissioner Black is working with the Plant Industry Division on competitive recruitment for new employees.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. He announced that the UGA Department of Entomology will host the January Commission meeting. It will begin at 9 AM on January 8th in the Seney-Stovall Chapel of the Lucy Cobb Institute of UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government in Athens. Early attendance is encouraged as the Department of Entomology will host a breakfast prior to the meeting. He appreciated Dr. Forschler for coordinating the meeting.
- I. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He announced the 2019 SPCC meeting dates from the Public Notice 18-06 which will be posted to the SPCC website. He discussed honey bee extermination on Georgia ports. The U.S. Customs & Border Protection does not allow bee removal on Georgia ports so a list of pest control companies that offer the service has

- been developed to assist. Mr. Lastinger also announced that Mr. Alex Conti is serving as the acting Compliance Specialist.
- J. Mr. Tim Taylor announced that the Georgia Pest Exam Employee Registration Exam Prep Course is now available to the public. This course will help assist training employees before testing and was developed by Athens Technical College.
- K. The Commission discussed the pre-examination training requirement. Concerns from the industry regarding the actual completion of the classroom and on-the-job training were reviewed. Mr. Lastinger reviewed the current rule and related policy. The Commission discussed the importance of the training and will consider requiring the Commission issued training verification form. The discussion was tabled for a future meeting.
- L. Mr. Skin Edge provided the legislative update. Governor Nathan Deal has called a special five-day session for the General Assembly to work on providing financial assistance to South Georgia in response to hurricane Michael. Mr. Edge gave an update on the Tax Bill and the election for Governor. He also noted the unfortunate news that Representative John Meadows, Chairman of House Rules Committee, recently passed away.
- M. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on the AAT Rule. The rule amendment will provide exemption to the defined treatment standard that requires the treatment of the soil under earth filled porches for preventive control of subterranean termites. A Hearing will be held on December 18, 2018 in room 201 of the Agriculture building at 10 AM. The 30-day comment period is from November 14th to December 17th. The Notice and Synopsis are posted on the SPCC webpage.
- N. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He announced that ninety new democrats are in the House of Representatives and that there will not be a Farm Bill. Massachusetts and Rhode Island have proposed bills banning rodenticides in their states. Mr. Gorecki stated that the new OSHA Silica Standards are out and encouraged everyone to become familiar with them.
- O. Meeting adjourned at 11:04 AM.

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Open - Chairman Gorecki

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New Business

- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. Spray Foam Insulation Updates
- c. Home Builders Association of Georgia Ms. Bettie Sleeth
- d. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- e. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
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Adjournment

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- ALF Pest Solutions Dawsonville
- Nextgen Pest Solutions Alpharetta (Sub-Office)
- Nextgen Pest Solutions Atlanta (Sub-Office)
- Nextgen Pest Solutions Suwanee (Sub-Office)

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

Brandon Pest Control (Sub-Office) – Effingham County (insurance)

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December 11, 2018

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- E. Dr. Brian Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. He reminded everyone that the Department of Entomology will host the January Commission meeting. It will begin at 9 AM on January 8th in the Seney-Stovall Chapel of the Lucy Cobb Institute of UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government in Athens. Mr. Gorecki appreciated Dr. Forschler for coordinating the meeting.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. The department hosted a Pesticide Waste Collection Day last month in Moultrie, collecting over 56,000 pounds of unwanted pesticides. Public Notice 18-06 Meeting Dates for 2019 has been posted to the SPCC website. Mr. Lastinger announced Tim Taylor as the Pesticide Certification and Training Coordinator (C&T) for Structural Pest and Ag Inputs, this will include structural, commercial, and private applicators. He introduced Mr. Alex Conti as the new Compliance Specialist for the Structural Pest Section. Mr. Lastinger mentioned that Mr. Taylor will be working on updating the state C&T plan that will be require updates including state regulations to meet the new federal pesticide regulations by 2020. Ms. Sarah Cook was announced as GDA's new Director of Domestic Trade for vegetable growers and her position is based in GDA's Tifton campus.
- G. The Commission discussed the pre-examination training requirements, the current rule and related policy. The rule requires the use of a Commission issued training verification form. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the current Pre-examination Training Form (Issued on March 13, 2018 as Notice 18-01) as mandatory to comply with the rule. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed. In order, to allow a compliance period, the form will be mandatory starting July 1, 2019. GDA will review the policy and form and make updates as needed. GDA will also add the form to the Employee Registration Manual. The Commission also discussed that the 10 hours of required classroom training must be provided by a certified operator or an approved SPCC instructor and the on-the-job training must be provided by a certified operator or registered employee.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on the AAT Rule change. A hearing will be held on December 18, 2018 in room 201 of the Agriculture building at 10 AM. The comment period

- will end December 17^{th} at 4:30 PM. The Notice and Synopsis are posted on the SPCC webpage.
- I. Ms. Faye Golden mentioned that U.S. EPA is expected to make an announcement later today regarding the Waters of the United States (WOTUS) regulation.
- J. Meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM.

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The Commission approved the following applications:

• Rentokil North America, Inc. dba Ehrlich Pest Control – Lawrenceville

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Diverse Pest Control Houston County (insurance)
- Trident Pest Solutions Gwinnett County (insurance)

Name Change

• Inspectors Pest Control, Inc. (99720) to Bigham Services, Inc.

January 8, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:00 AM in the Seney-Stovall Chapel of the Lucy Cobb Institute located at UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government in Athens on January 8, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chair; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley, Bodine Sinyard, Kim Bragg, Christy Kuriatnyk and Dr. Brian Forschler.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Dean Pardue of the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences (CAES) welcomed the Commission and attendees to the University. He spoke about the importance of pest control science and how the research from the University and the industry interact with each other. He mentioned several milestones that UGA met in 2018. He closed by expressing his gratitude to Dr. Kris Braman for her achievements and partnerships. Dr. Forschler expressed his appreciation for Dean Pardue and Dr. Kris Braman's attendance.
- D. Dr. Kris Braman, Chair of the Department of Entomology, expressed her appreciation to the Commission for choosing their campus as a location to hold the SPCC meeting. She also expressed appreciation for all the internships, grants, and support that they receive from the industry. Dr. Forschler, Dr. Dan Suiter and Dr. Nancy Hinkle were recognized for their recent awards and achievements.
- E. Dr. Forschler introduced the entomology students and each student provided a summary and report of their research projects. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update and presented the annual Urban Pest Control Program & Research Report (Attachment 3). Dr. Suiter announced upcoming workshops and a new webinar program to offer the Urban Entomology Certificate. He also discussed a study on the tawny crazy ant that was found at the Port of Savannah. Mr. Gorecki recognized Dr. Suiter and Dr. Forschler for their work in Georgia and congratulated them for their recent achievements.
- F. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- G. Mr. Tommy Gray provided the Department update. He talked about various effects on GDA from the federal government shutdown. He announced that GDA's Food Safety Division will be responsible for monitoring and testing food at the upcoming Super Bowl. Mr. Gray expressed his appreciation to the SPCC's members for their active service on the Commission.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the program update. He introduced new staff members and expressed appreciation to the staff in attendance. He discussed program priorities including consumer protection and inspection consistency. He encouraged the industry to call when they have a regulatory question and that we can best protect consumers by working together. He introduced Mr. Alex Conti as the compliance specialist and Mr. Tim Taylor as the certification

- and training specialist for structural and agriculture pesticide programs. Mr. Lastinger announced that the Commission was planning to have the April meeting in Augusta.
- I. Mr. Tim Taylor reviewed the licensing timeline and deadlines for renewals. He reminded attendees that all licenses expire on June 30, 2019. The employee registration training deadline is February 28, 2019. Active Registered Employees that tested after October 1, 2018 are exempt from the training requirement. Licenses not renewed by September 30, 2019 will expire.
- J. Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- K. The Commission discussed the pre-examination training requirements for employee registration including the current rule and related policy. The SPCC issued the current Pre-examination Training Form on March 13, 2018 as Notice 18-01 to comply with the rule. The Commission later issued the Employee Registration Policy as Notice 18-05. The Commission discussed making the Training Form 18-01 mandatory as required by rule. The Commission discussed the revision to the policy. Mr. Holley made a motion to approve the revision to the policy and establish a compliance date of July 1, 2019 to allow for compliance assistance and outreach, Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr. Lastinger indicated that GDA will send an announcement out to the SPCC contact list and to be included during field outreach activities. Mr. Gorecki expressed appreciation to the associations for outreach assistance.
- L. The Commission discussed spray foam insulation. The Spray Foam Alliance and Coalition, NPMA, Chemistry Council, manufactures, applicators and pest control industry leaders met yesterday to discuss concerns and issues. Mr. Gorecki provided the meeting highlights and the progress. The meeting included a discussion about amending the building codes and making a revision to the Chemistry Council's termite bulletin. The Commission recognized Commissioner Black's related press release that brought attention to the matter which led to the productive meeting.
- M. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on the AAT Rule Amendment. A public hearing was held December 18, 2018 and no comments were received at the hearing or during the public comment period November 14, 2018 December 17, 2018. The final rule amendment was filed with the Secretary of State's Office on January 7, 2019 and will be effective on February 1, 2019. The rule amendment will provide an exemption to the alternate application treatment for the defined treatment standard that requires the treatment of the soil under earth filled porches for preventive control of subterranean termites.
- N. Mr. Gorecki provided the legislative update. The wild hog dinner will be held this Sunday. The Legislative Session starts Monday, January 14th. Governor-Elect Brian Kemp will be sworn in on the 14th as well as Commissioner Black.
- O. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. A tax on services has been introduced in several states. California and Massachusetts have introduced bills banning the use of first and second-generation rodenticides in their states. NPMA legislative days will be February 25-27 at the U.S. Capitol.
- P. Mr. Gorecki recognized Ms. Eunice Hall for her service to the pest control industry. She recently retired from Corteva Agriscience.
- Q. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

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Agenda

January 8, 2019

Open - Chairman Gorecki

Welcome – Dean Sam Pardue, UGA College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences & Dr. Kris Braman, Department of Entomology

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. UGA Urban Entomology Department & Research Updates Dr. Brian Forschler
- b. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
 - New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- c. Employee Registration Policy and SPCC Pre-examination training form
- d. Spray Foam Insulation
- e. Rule Change Update
- f. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- g. NPMA update Rick Bell
- h. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- CRC Services Gwinnett County (insurance).
- Varsity Termite and Pest Cobb County (insurance).
- Active Pest Control Clarke County (insurance).
- Crossfire Pest Management Appling County (insurance).
- B3 Pest Control Services Gwinnett County (insurance).

URBAN PEST CONTROL PROGRAM HOUSEHOLD AND STRUCTURAL ENTOMOLOGY RESEARCH PROGRAM COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA

DATE OF REPORT TO COMMISSION: January 8, 2019

PROGRESS REPORT:

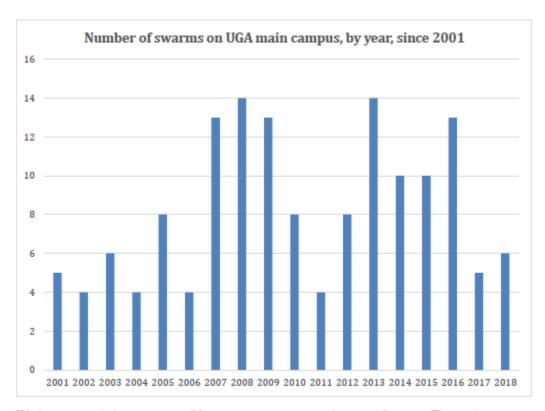
Graduate students continue working on projects relevant to the management of pests in and around structures and their accomplishments include 2 students who interned at the NPMA annual meeting in Orlando while 3 provided research updates at the National ESA meeting in Vancouver. The research program graduated one Masters student who worked on the spray pattern of three different hand-held compression sprayers using four different nozzle tips and two pressures using an exterior perimeter application scenario. That work showed there was minimal overspray at pressures less than 20 psi and all sprayer/tip/pressure combinations obtained *complete* coverage in the intended 2 ft² target area. Two other graduate students are working on projects related to the ecology of wood degradation in forests while a third is examining the distribution of subterranean termites across all 159 counties in Georgia. Fieldwork on ants, drywood and subterranean termites continues with demonstration projects on University property as well as examination of ant baits and adult mosquito control products in laboratory trials.

EXPENDITURES:

Graduate student stipend expenditures were approximately \$165,000 in addition to \$14,000 for undergraduate student workers and \$18,000 for supplies and equipment. The State Structural Pest Control Commission research fee was used for all of the undergraduate student salary and a portion of the graduate student stipends, equipment and supplies was paid through extramural grants.

PLANNED RESEARCH:

We plan to address the following research areas over the next year: (1) the ecology of wood degradation in forests (2) the distribution of termites in the state of Georgia (3) subterranean termite respiration and digestion of wood (4) continuation of industry sponsored examination of product efficacy and new application technologies.



We have recorded an average of 8 swarms per year over the past 18 years. The project shows an average of 11 infestations per year with ~12% of the infestations identified through physical plant employees conducting repairs or remodeling (active infestations that did not swarm). The infestation data from this 18-year demonstration project affords an annual infestation rate of the buildings on the main campus of less than 3% (from 390 bldgs. on 760 acres in Athens, GA).

February 12, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 10:31 AM in Room 300B of the Agriculture Building on February 12, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley, Bodine Sinyard, Kim Bragg, and Dr. Brian Forschler.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Brian Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. The UGA Griffin campus will host multiple workshops in 2019. Mr. Lastinger expressed appreciation to Dr. Forschler for hosting the January meeting.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department updates. Department budget hearings are currently underway this week. The department is following the proposed industrial hemp legislation. Today is the GPCA Legislative Day and Farm Bureau Day at the Georgia Capitol. Mr. Lastinger mentioned that the acting EPA Administrator, Andrew Wheeler, recently met with Commissioner Black and other officials at McCorkle nurseries in Georgia to discuss Waters of the United States (WOTUS) regulation. Mr. Lastinger announced that the Licensing Division Director, Mark Norton, will retire at the end of March. He also announced that the Director of the Fuel and Measures Division, Rich Lewis, retired at the end of January.
- G. Mr. Tim Taylor provided the program and license renewal updates. All structural licenses will expire June 30, 2019. Renewal notices will be sent to certified operators in late April or early May. Company and registered employee renewal notices will go out a couple weeks thereafter. Mr. Taylor discussed the training deadline and training requirements. Registered employees that tested on or after October 1, 2018 are exempt from the training requirement but will need to renew. He advised companies to go online and review and confirm the following items prior to renewal:
 - Liability insurance
 - Contact information including mailing and email address for company license and certified operators
 - o Credit hours for registered employees
 - Make updates to registered employees. Address any that are missing, transferred or no longer with the company.
- H. Mr. Tim Taylor discussed recertification course applications, the related SPCC 13-01 policy, and explained the current approval process. The current policy requires that the training course applications be submitted and approved by the SPCC at least 30 days prior to the scheduled course date. Mr. Taylor made a request to update the policy and allow applications

- to be reviewed and approved as they are received. He discussed the benefits of making the change to the policy. After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the update to the policy and allow the more efficient approval process. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed.
- I. Mr. Alex Conti discussed inspection reports and related notices. He reviewed the inspection process and the requirements to document compliance and non-compliance activities to meet program requirements. He further reviewed field notices and other types of enforcement responses. Mr. Conti provided an update on the program priorities including compliance assistance and the unlicensed operator case reviews.
- J. The Commission discussed spray foam insulation. Mr. Lastinger met with Mr. Mark Woodall, Director of Governmental Affairs with the Associated General Contractors (AGC Georgia) and Mr. Austin Hackney, Director of Governmental Affairs with Home Builders Association (HBA) recently to discuss spray foam issues and recent outreach activities. Both groups expressed interest to assist and be aware of future activities. Mr. Rick Bell shared his experience of a recent home inspection that he performed in a home that had spray foam insulation in the crawl space. The Commission discussed buyer beware scenarios regarding the Official Wood Infestation Inspection Report and agreed to further discuss at a future meeting.
- K. Mrs. Laura Fralick provided the legislative update. Today is legislative day 13 and March 7th will be Crossover Day. Sine Die (last day of session) will be April 2nd. Many of the committee chairs are currently being reassigned. Hot topics in the current session include: tax on services, boll weevil eradication tax exemption, industrial hemp legalization, and rural broadband service.
- L. Mr. Rick Bell gave the NPMA update. NPMA legislative days will be February 25-27 at the U.S. Capitol. Mr. Bell spoke about McCorkle Nurseries, a bed bug funding project, and a move to do away with professional licensing in some states.
- M. Mr. Lastinger announced that the April Commission meeting will be held at the Augusta Canal Authority located at 1450 Green Street in August, GA on April 16th. Mr. Lastinger thanked Ms. Bragg for organizing the meeting.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 11:41 AM.

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February 12, 2019

Open - Chairman Gorecki Minutes Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
- d. License Renewals Tim Taylor
- e. Recertification Course Applications Tim Taylor
- f. Inspection Reports & Related Notices Alex Conti
- g. Spray Foam Insulation activities
- h. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- i. NPMA update Rick Bell
- j. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Bulwark Exterminating LLC Chattanooga, TN
- Massey Services, Inc. Gainesville
- Massey Services, Inc. Tucker
- Arrow Exterminators Atlanta
- Arrow Exterminators Lawrenceville
- Arrow Exterminators Marietta
- Critter Catchers Acworth
- Tru North Pest Control LLC McDonough
- Kirby Pest and Wildlife Dalton
- McDougal Wildlife Solutions & Pest Control Greensboro

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Pest Master Services Henry County (insurance, research fee payment)
- Emlet Enterprises Inc. Lamar County (insurance, research fee payment)
- Windham's Pest Control Bibb County (insurance)
- Chapin Pest Control Cleveland Tennessee (insurance)

Name Change

• Ex Pest Force (100281) to Pest Force

The Commission did not approve the following name change application:

• Surfside Pest Control (100275) to PA Georgia, LLC dba Pest Authority

March 12, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:31 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on March 12, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chairman; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley, Kim Bragg, and Christy Kuriatnyk. Dr. Brian Forschler and Bodine Sinyard were available via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Ms. Bragg to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Brian Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. The UGA Termite workshop had 50 attendees last week and another workshop is scheduled for next week.
- F. The Commission discussed moving the meeting time for meetings held in Atlanta to better accommodate travel and avoid morning traffic. Dr. Forschler made a motion to move the Commission meeting time from 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM. Mr. Sinyard seconded the motion and motion passed. Mr. Lastinger noted that the April 16th meeting in Augusta will start at 9:30 AM. The 10:00 AM start time will begin with the May 14th meeting in Atlanta. A Public Notice will be issued announcing the new meeting time.
- G. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. He introduced two new inspectors, Mr. John Huff and Mr. Brady Payne. He announced that Mr. Tommy Gray will retire on April 1st after 31 years of service and Ms. Jan Bunn, is also retiring after 25 years. The department continues to follow the legislative discussions on industrial hemp. If passed, the regulation would be assigned to the Plant Protection Section. GDA will host a Clean Day Event on April 3rd at the UGA SE Research Center in Midville.
- H. Mr. Tim Taylor provided the license renewal update. All structural licenses will expire June 30, 2019. This is also the deadline to pay the renewal fees. All training hours are scheduled to be entered by the end of March. If you discover any missing courses after April 1, GDA recommends contacting the Structural Pest office. Mr. Taylor advised companies to make sure that the liability insurance verification form has been submitted to GDA. Renewal notices will be sent to certified operators by May 1st. Company and registered employee renewal notices will be sent out mid-May. Mr. Taylor reviewed the renewal process and instructions.
- I. The Commission discussed the Pre-examination Training form (Notice 18-01) and related requirements. The form will be mandatory starting July 1, 2019. A minimum of 10 hours of classroom training is required and should be documented on the form. The Commission also discussed the Employee Registration Exam Preparation Course available through the Athens Technical College. Since this course focuses on the Employee Registration Manual, the

- training does not meet with pre-exam training requirement. Inspectors have started outreach during routine company inspections regarding Notice 18-01.
- J. The Commission discussed Termidor HPII and related record keeping requirements and the treatment of garage slabs for defined treatments. Mr. Gorecki asked the pest management professionals in attendance about how they are currently recording the use of Termidor HPII on service records. Mr. Gorecki mentioned that he and Mr. Lastinger will follow-up with BASF to get more information regarding record keeping and what information is provided by the application equipment. After review of the AAT rule and the defined treatment rule, it was clarified that a garage or carport slab is not required to be treated by drilling and injecting for preventive termite treatments where the slab joins the structure for Termidor HPII. It was also noted that the area would be required to be treated by drilling and injecting when an active infestation is present in the area. The retreatment rule would also apply for reinfestations and require a minimum of 10 feet to be treated. The Commission will update the written policy and provide at the next meeting.
- K. Mr. Gorecki discussed residential mosquito control and licensing. GDA reported an increase in the number of mosquito control companies providing structural pest control without a structural pest license. The mosquito control category is currently regulated under the Pesticide Use and Application Act, while structural pest control falls under the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act. GDA and the Commission has also received concerns regarding the technician requirements for each license type. Mr. Gorecki proposed putting a workgroup together to compile information to address the concerns. The workgroup will include pest control and mosquito control experts. If you have any information that would be helpful for the workgroup, please contact Mr. Gorecki or Mr. Lastinger.
- L. The Commission discussed spray foam insulation activities. Positive work continues to move forward with the spray foam insulation industry including manufactures and the coalition. Multiple scenarios were discussed on the benefits on spray foam insulation when installed correctly. Mr. Lastinger mentioned the department continues to be involved with spray foam insulation discussions and that the spray foam mock-up in Griffin is now being used in trainings.
- M. Mrs. Laura Fralick provided the legislative update. Topics currently being discussed include: banning certain building materials, healthcare, industrial hemp legalization, and rural broadband service. April 2nd will be the last day of session.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 10:52 AM.

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- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Updates Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates
 - Department Tommy Gray
 - Program Derrick Lastinger
- d. License Renewals Tim Taylor
- e. SPCC Pre-Examination Training Requirements
- f. AAT Termidor HPII
- g. Mosquito Licensing
- h. Spray Foam Insulation Activities
- i. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- j. NPMA update Rick Bell
- k. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Bright Star Pest Management LLC Grovetown
- Wolf Creek Pest Control Watkinsville
- Vines Pest Solutions Dublin

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- A-OK Exterminating Madison County (insurance).
- Bed Bug Specialist & Exterminating, LLC Houston County (insurance).
- Castle Pest Solutions, Inc. Fayette County (insurance).
- 1UP Pest Control LLC. Gwinnett County (insurance).
- Apex Exterminating Pickens County (insurance).
- Southern Pest Elimination Ware County (name change)

Name Change

- Bug Out Service, LLC (99231) to Bug Out
- Skyline Pest Solutions, LLC (97420, 100309, 99378, 99664, 98638) to Bug Out
- Surfside Pest Control (100275) to PA Georgia LLC, DBA TMA Pest Authority

MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

April 16, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 9:34 AM in The Cotton Room of the Enterprise Mill located at the Augusta Canal Heritage Area in Augusta on April 16, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chairman; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Greg Holley, Kim Bragg, Christy Kuriatnyk and Dr. Brian Forschler.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Mr. Richard Isdell, Chairman of the Augusta Canal Authority, and Kim Bragg welcomed the Commission to Augusta. Mr. Isdell talked about the canal and invited everyone to visit the Discover Center after the meeting. Ms. Bragg touched on the history of the Enterprise Mill building and encouraged involvement in urban revitalization.
- D. Motion was made by Mr. Holley to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- E. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- F. Dr. Brian Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. The UGA Athens campus is in the middle of swarm season. Dr. Suiter completed the spring termite workshops and encouraged attendance in the future.
- G. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. He appreciated Mr. Isdell for hosting the meeting and for the field trip to a historic church that is being restored by the Augusta Canal Authority. The local pest control association will provide termite protection. Mr. Tommy Gray retired on April 1st and the Plant Industry Division is being re-organized into three divisions including the Structural Pest, Agricultural Inputs, and Plant Protection Divisions. GDA is increasing communications through social media and will provide outreach on pest awareness and the structural pest regulatory program in recognition of April and Pest Awareness Month. GDA will be involved in pollinator protection outreach at the Chattahoochee Nature Center in Roswell on June 1-2. Mr. Lastinger introduced GDA staff in attendance including the local inspector, Miss. LeAnna Miller.
- H. Mr. Alex Conti provided the compliance update. He shared and discussed the FY18 Administrative Cases Report (see Attachment 3). He noted that 50% of these cases were unlicensed companies. Dr. Forschler expressed appreciation on the advancing technology that makes these reports possible. Mrs. Nan Collier reminded and encouraged the industry to use and share the unlicensed operator reporting form that is located on the Structural Pest website. The webpage includes information about how to report and the form is helpful.
- I. Mr. Tim Taylor provided the certification and training update. Renewal notices for certified operators will be sent out the week of April 22nd via mail and email. Company and registered employee renewals are scheduled to be sent the first week of May. If a company's liability insurance is not up to date, the company will not be able to renew. Training records are currently up to date with processing and if you discover any missing courses, contact the

- Structural Pest office. Training completed on March 1st or later will show up online after June 30. Mr. Lastinger mentioned that Mr. Taylor will be going to the U.S. EPA PREP (Pesticide Regulatory Education Program) workshop for training on the new EPA Pesticide applicator certification rule that goes into effect March 2020.
- J. The Commission discussed the draft revision the Alternate Application Technique Policy (Notice 17-04). FAQs were added to address the record keeping requirements for Termidor HPII, the treatment of garage slabs for defined treatments, retreatment warranty contracts, and post-construction AAT defined soil termiticide treatments. Mr. Gorecki made a motion to approve the revision. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed. The revised policy will be posted on the SPCC website. Mr. Jim Wright with BASF thanked the Commission for their work on the revised policy.
- K. The Commission discussed spray foam insulation activities. Mr. Gorecki stated that work is now being done on a national level with the International Building Code and the Georgia Building Code. Manufacturers have been very responsive and wants their products installed correctly. Mr. Rick Bell is working with the Georgia Realtors Association on consumer awareness. NPMA has a termite and spray foam insulation article in the upcoming May issue of Home Builders Association of Georgia.
- L. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on the proposed workgroup being put together to review and compile information regarding residential mosquito control and licensing. If you have any information that would be helpful for the workgroup, please contact Mr. Gorecki or Mr. Lastinger.
- M. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials (ASPCRO). The board meeting was recently held in Minneapolis. Discussions focused on spray foam insulation in the building codes committee and the structural fumigation committee meetings.
- N. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. He discussed multiple proposed bills in several states that would ban certain pesticides. NPMA will have a conference call next Wednesday with the spray foam committee.
- O. Mr. Lastinger discussed the 10-hour pre-examination training requirement and the questions that GDA has been receiving. GDA will look at revising the Employee Registration Policy.
- P. Mr. Gorecki expressed appreciation to Mr. Isdell and Ms. Bragg for hosting the meeting.
- Q. Meeting adjourned at 11:11 AM.

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April 16, 2019

Open - Chairman Gorecki

Welcome - Mr. Richard Isdell & Ms. Kim Bragg

Minutes

Old Business

New Business

- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates Derrick lastinger
 - Compliance Alex Conti
 - Certification & Training Tim Taylor
- d. Revisions to Notice 17-04 (AAT Policy)
- e. Spray Foam Insulation activities
- f. New workgroup
- g. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- h. NPMA update Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Safe House Pest Control Pooler
- Honest Pest Solutions Bethlehem

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Ace Pest Control LLC Gwinnett County (Name Change)
- Trademark South Georgia Candler County (Name Change)

Name Change

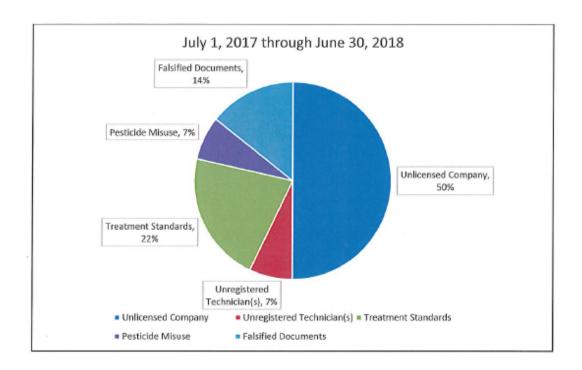
- Castle Pest Solutions (100508) to Beacon Pest Solutions
- Beyond the call Wildlife Solutions (100455) to Amapro Wildlife and Pest Solutions

The Commission did not approve the following applications:

• Ever-Redi Exterminating Company name change to ATL-Atlanta Termite Company



FY 18 Administrative Cases Report



This chart shows the frequency of violations cited in administrative cases resulting from inspections conducted during the specified timeframe. Many cases involved multiple violations, but this chart only includes those violations that lead to an administrative action.

Administrative actions are enforcement actions that may include a monetary penalty, additional training requirement(s), and/or license/certification/registration suspension/revocation.

MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

May 14, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 10:02 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on May 14, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chairman; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Christy Kuriatnyk, Dr. Brian Forschler and Bodine Sinyard. Mr. Greg Holley was available via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Dr. Forschler seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Brian Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. The University just finished up with graduations. Dr. Forschler expressed condolences to the family of UGA Professor, Marianne Shockley, who recently passed away unexpectedly.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. He introduced Ag-Inputs Division Director, Jenny Wren. She is currently heading up a task force for new regulations on soil amendments. Governor Kemp signed the industrial hemp bill which most of the regulatory work will be assigned to GDA's Plant Protection Division. Under an executive order, Governor Kemp implemented a new Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy. Under the new policy, there is a mandatory requirement for all state employees to complete the training. Supervisors and managers are required to complete additional trainings. GDA continues to increase communications through social media. They provided outreach on pest awareness and the structural pest regulatory program in recognition of April being pest awareness month.
- G. Mr. Alex Conti presented a case review that involved an incident with three active termite infestations that were discovered within 90 days of the issuance of an Official Wood Infestation Inspection Report. In response the company installed a termite monitoring system and later provided several partial treatments. GDA found non-compliance with the treatments. The Commission discussed the details of the case and multiple scenarios before making a recommendation to GDA to require a comprehensive soil applied termite treatment.
- H. Mr. Tim Taylor provided the license renewal update. Company and registered employee renewal notices will be sent out by mid-May. He reminded operators that the liability insurance policy must be current including GDA notification to allow for the company license renewal. All certified operator renewal notices have been sent. If a certified operator has not received the renewal notice, contact GDA. Mr. Taylor reported that 694 out of 2300 certifications have already renewed. He also remined operators that late fees will start after June 30, 2019. GPCA will include a renewal reminder and information in the Bug Bytes

- publication. Mr. Lastinger added that the Licensing Division is still looking for a new director and that the GATE regulatory program is being added to the License Division.
- I. The Commission discussed the potential revision to 18-05 Employee Registration Policy to address the 10-hour classroom training requirement. This training must be reviewed by GDA unless the training is provided in-house by an employee that is a certified operator or an approved SPCC instructor. The policy will be updated.
- J. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on the proposed workgroup being put together to review and compile information regarding residential mosquito control and licensing. Workgroup participants have been identified and have until May 17th to accept the invitation. Additional information will be sent to the group after May 17th.
- K. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on spray foam insulation activities. NPMA is organizing the rewriting of a national spray foam insulation publication regarding termites to better address termite inspections and treatment standards. Activities continue to move forward with active participation form the manufacturers.
- L. Mrs. Laura Fralick provided the legislative update. Governor Kemp signed numerous bills last week including the state budget, industrial hemp, and medical marijuana. Mr. David Curry was sworn in as the new State Revenue Commissioner. The Rural Development Council has appointed two new chairs. Study committees will start meeting this Summer.
- M. Mr. Rick Bell provided the NPMA update. NPMA has new workgroup to focus on EPA's new certification and training rules. Manufacturers and registrants are working together to address new proposals to make spray foam insulation a conducive condition in several states. South Carolina has a proposed bill to tax services including pest control services. Mr. Chris Gorecki will soon be sworn in as the new president of NPMA.
- N. Meeting adjourned at 11:21 AM.

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May 14, 2019

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- a. New Company Applications Tim Taylor
- b. UGA Urban Entomology Update Dr. Brian Forschler
- c. Georgia Department of Agriculture Updates Derrick Lastinger
 - Compliance Alex Conti
 - Certification & Training Tim Taylor
- d. Revision to 18-05 Employee Registration Policy
- e. Workgroup Update
- f. Spray Foam Insulation activities
- g. Legislative update Lauren Fralick
- h. NPMA update Rick Bell
- i. Certification Examination Application Review

The Commission approved the following applications:

- Pest Nation Snellville
- Georgia ACE Pest Control Duluth
- Bug House Pest Control Dublin
- Arrow Exterminators Decatur
- Arrow Exterminators Marietta
- Blalock Bros. Expert Termite Control, LLC Thomson

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Allied Exterminators Hall County (insurance)
- Pest Away Pest Control Brantley County (insurance)

The Commission did not approve the following applications:

• J. Henry Pest Solutions – Phoenix, Alabama

MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

June 11, 2019

- A. The Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission convened at 10:02 AM in Room 201 of the Agriculture Building on June 11, 2019. The following Commission members were present: Chris Gorecki, Chairman; Derrick Lastinger, Vice-Chair; Bodine Sinyard, Christy Kuriatnyk, Greg Holley, and Kim Bragg. Dr. Brian Forschler was available via teleconference.
- B. Also in attendance were representatives with the Georgia Department of Agriculture, GPCA and CPCO representatives, registrants, and other members of the pest management industry.
- C. Motion was made by Mr. Sinyard to approve the minutes of the May meeting. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion and motion passed.
- D. The Commission approved company license applications (see Attachment 2).
- E. Dr. Forschler provided the UGA Urban Entomology update. He discussed an upcoming demonstration project that will involve the identification of subterranean termites in a structure covered with spray foam insulation. The inspections will involve a visual search, moisture meters, infrared cameras and a microwave motion detector. Findings from the demonstration project will be shared at a future meeting. Mr. Gorecki added that NPMA is organizing the rewriting of a national spray foam insulation publication regarding termites to better address termite inspections and treatment standards.
- F. Mr. Lastinger provided the department and program updates. Commissioner Black reappointed Greg Holley to the Commission for a new term. GDA recently met with EPA for their mid-year audit and activity reporting. EPA designated a new project officer for Georgia and will be invited to attend a future commission meeting. The September Commission meeting date has changed to September 17th and the location details will be announced once confirmed. Mr. Tim Taylor is attending and presenting at the Southern Regional American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) conference this week. Mr. Lastinger introduced Ag Inputs intern Ms. Lilli Mansell and structural inspector, Mr. John Huff. Mr. Lastinger discussed EPA's proposed draft pyrethroid mitigation measures that may make perimeter pest control more challenging with the use of these products. The Commission will consider commenting on the draft proposal.
- G. Mr. Alex Conti made a recommendation to the Commission to revise Policy 17-04 Alternate Application Technique to address some recent confusing language regarding the use of the official waiver form. Motion was made by Mr. Gorecki to approve the revision. Mrs. Kuriatnyk seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- H. Mr. Lastinger provided the license renewal update. The due date to renew without penalty is June 30, 2019. 447 companies, 1357 certified operators, and over 2000 registered employees have renewed so far. He asked the industry associations to assist with outreach on renewals. A company cannot operate if their license expires.
- I. The Commission discussed the revision to 18-05 Employee Registration Policy to address the 10-hour classroom training requirement. This training must be reviewed by GDA unless the

- training is provided in-house by an employee that is either a certified operator or an approved SPCC instructor. Motion was made by Ms. Bragg to approve the revision. Mr. Holley seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- J. Mr. Gorecki provided an update on the proposed workgroup being put together to review and compile information regarding residential mosquito control and licensing. Mr. Jeff Dunn will chair the workgroup. More information will be shared at the next Commission meeting.
- K. Mr. Holley shared information regarding permanent wood foundations that has recently been brought to his attention. Over 200,000 homes in the metro Atlanta area have these foundations. Homeowners are finding it difficult to find a pest control company to provide a termite warranty on homes with these types of foundations. Mr. Gorecki expressed his appreciation to Mr. Holley for sharing this information with the Commission.
- L. Ms. Glenda Lehmberg, Executive Director of CPCO, made a request for the Commission to consider revising the approved instructor criteria. She suggested that an applicant with an Associate Certified Entomologist (ACE) or a Board Certified Entomologist (BCE) meet the advanced train-the-trainer criteria. After a brief discussion by the Commission, the topic was tabled for the next Commission meeting.
- M. The Commission addressed CPCO's concerns regarding restaurant owners getting proposals from pest control companies to perform pest control in their restaurants but then not following through with the proposal and doing the pest control themselves. Mr. Lastinger read a response from the Department of Public Health that an owner can treat their own restaurant for pest control. A certified operator license would be required if a restricted use pesticide (RUP) is applied.
- N. Mr. Lastinger provided an update on Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials (ASPCRO). ASPCRO, NPMA and EPA officials participated in a termite workshop hosted by Dr. Claudia Riegel and the New Orleans Mosquito, Termite and Rodent Control Board (NOMTRCB) at their training facility in New Orleans. Activities included hands on demonstrations and discussions on termiticide labels, termiticide efficacy testing, and termite baiting systems.
- O. Meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM.

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The Commission approved the following applications:

• Arrow Exterminators - Macon

The Commission approved the following applications pending additional information:

- Dyer Professional Pest Services Douglas County (insurance)
- Platinum Pest Control Murray County (insurance)
- Lake Lanier Pest Control Hall County (insurance)
- TJHG Exterminating Lee County (insurance)

The Commission approved the following name change:

• Almighty Termite Services

The Commission did not approve the following name change:

• Emlet Enterprises Inc DBA MA Pest Authority