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HAPPENINGS

Turfgrass Expo Marks 35th Year

The Southern California Turfgrass Council will celebrate the 35th anniversary of its Turfgrass and Landscape Expo at the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa, October 4-5. Approximately 200 exhibitors are expected, while attendance is anticipated to top 5,000. Admission and parking are free.

Indoor exhibits will be housed in the 38,000-square-foot Commerce Building, while outside exhibits will be in the adjacent grass area. In addition to the exhibits, four seminars will be offered.

Seminars scheduled for October 4 are: "Public Athletic Field Maintenance A to Z," led by Ken Kurtz, Ph.D., Cal Poly Pomona, and Mark Hodnick, assistant director of Community Services for the City of Claremont; "Turfgrass Insect and Disease Control, Back to Basics," led by Janet Hartin, UC Cooperative Extension, Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, and Marci Grebus, Ph.D., UC Riverside.

Offered on October 5 will be: "Small Engine Maintenance, Repair," led by Tom Visosky of Mount San Antonio College in Walnut; and "Turfgrass Weed Control and Greenwaste Management With Plant Growth Regulators," led by Clyde Elmore, Ph.D., UC Davis and Nick Angelucci, senior marketing specialist with Ciba Turf and Ornamental.

Each seminar costs \$20. Advance registration is recommended as seating is limited. Call (800) 500-SCTC for more information. Proceeds will fund research and education efforts in the turf and landscape industry.

Minor-Use Pesticide Bill Passes House Committee

In a big victory for the green industry, the House Agricultural Committee on June 20 approved HR 1627. The bill contains all of the minor-use pesticide provisions for which the American Association of Nurserymen (AAN) has long fought.

The bill streamlines the registration of chemicals used by the green industry without impinging at all upon safety,

health or environmental factors. The beneficial impact of the minor-use provisions is that chemicals needed and used by the green industry will be more economical for chemical manufacturers to maintain and develop due to incentives, as well as new flexibility in the EPA's regulatory system. The bill has 150 cosponsors.

Before the bill can be brought to the House floor for consideration, the House Commerce Committee must consider the portion of the bill that revises the 1958 Delaney Clause that bars the use of any carcinogenic additives, no matter how small the concentration or how minimal the risk. Since the 1950s, scientific analysis has improved to the point where chemical residues can now be detected in parts per *trillion* and *quadrillion*.

Unless the Delaney Clause is reformed, new products coming to market that are known to be safer than those currently in use will be banned simply because they can be shown to have extremely low doses of carcinogen.

For more information about the bill's status in Congress, contact Ben Bolusky, (202) 789-2900.

PPEMA Elects New Chairman, Board

Fred J. Whyte, president of Stihl Inc. of Virginia Beach, VA, was unanimously elected chairman of the board of the Portable Power Equipment Manufacturers Association (PPEMA) at its annual meeting in June in Asheville, NC. He succeeds PPEMA Chairman David Zerfoss, president of Husqvarna Forest and Garden Co. of Charlotte, NC. Also elected to serve as officers on the board were John F. Waters, vice chairman, Poulan/Weed Eater and Joseph V. Rund, secretary-treasurer, Echo Inc.

PPEMA represents manufacturers of products using two-cycle engine technology. Its members include manufacturers of equipment used in forestry, arborist and nursery applications as well as lawn, garden and construction applications.