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TO: Interested Parties

SUBJECT: CHANGES IN ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PESTICIDE USE REPORTS FOR FIELD FUMIGATIONS

**Background**

The Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) adopted regulations in January 2008, to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds from fumigant pesticides. The regulations require pesticide use reports (PUR) for field fumigations to include a four-digit numeric code that specifies the application method. The new regulations affect five areas of the state (see enclosed Fact Sheet).

**2009 reporting process**

By January 1, 2009, computer systems at the County Agricultural Commissioner's (CAC) Offices and DPR will be updated to transfer this information electronically. In addition, the "Notice of Intent" and "Pesticide Use Report" forms provided by DPR have been updated to accept reporting of the new information and are available on DPR's Web site at: <<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/pur/forms/purforms.htm>>.

**What has changed for 2009**

The application method box on the forms has been modified with a "Fume" check box and space for the four-digit field fumigation method code. Growers, service providers, pest control businesses, and others who send PUR data electronically to the counties, should ensure their computer systems are modified to appropriately transmit the new information in accordance with the PUR electronic data transfer specifications. Please contact your CAC office for the specifics on data format.

**Reporting from outside nonattainment areas**

For counties outside the five areas, reporting of the specific field fumigation method is voluntary.

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**Contact  
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If you have any questions, please contact Basil Ibewiro of my staff at (916) 322-2152 or by e-mail at <bibewiro@cdpr.ca.gov>.

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Sincerely,

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