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- David L. McAllister, Ph.D.

### **President's Message**



### Dear Esteemed Members of the Malaysia Pest Management Association (MPMA),

As we bid farewell to the year 2023 and usher in the promising dawn of 2024, I extend my warmest greetings and heartfelt wishes to each and every one of you. May this new year bring you abundant joy, prosperity, and success in all your endeavors.

First and foremost, I want to express my sincere gratitude to all our members for your unwavering support and dedication throughout the past year. Your commitment has been the cornerstone of our association's achievements and it is through your collective efforts that we have reached new heights of excellence.

As we embark on this new year, I am excited to share with you our plans for 2024. We have a plethora of exciting activities lined up including a series of webinars aimed at enhancing your knowledge and skills, the eagerly awaited PAL examination sessions to further certify our industry professionals and the exhilarating World Pest Day FunRun 2024 in planning where we will come together to promote awareness of pest management issues in our communities.

Furthermore, I am thrilled to announce that MPMA has been selected to host the prestigious FAOPMA Pest Summit in 2025, a testament to our association's growing influence and reputation on the international stage. This summit will provide us with a unique opportunity to showcase the excellence of our industry and exchange insights with pest management experts from around the world.

In the spirit of inclusivity and growth, I urge all our members to encourage more pest control operators (PCOs) to join MPMA and become part of our vibrant community. Together, we can strengthen our industry, share knowledge and best practices and collectively address the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

As we step into the new year with renewed enthusiasm and optimism, let us continue to support each other, collaborate and strive for excellence in all that we do. Together, we can make 2024 a year of remarkable achievements and meaningful contributions to the pest management profession.

Once again, I extend my warmest wishes for a happy and prosperous new year to you and your loved ones. Thank you for your continued support and here's to a successful and fulfilling year ahead!

Warm regards,

Regine Lim
President, Malaysia Pest Management Association (MPMA)

### **VP-Communication Message**



### Dear MPMA Members,

As your newly appointed Vice President of Communication for MPMA and as a Editor of Pestlink Magazine, I am excited to share with you our vision for the upcoming year. Our primary goal is to provide you with valuable and timely information that will benefit your businesses and professional endeavors.

Through Pestlink, we aim to deliver cutting-edge insights, industry updates and expert advice that will empower you to stay ahead in the pest management field. Whether it's new techniques, regulatory changes or market trends, our team is dedicated to keeping you informed and equipped for success.

We believe that Pestlink will serve as a valuable resource for all members of the MPMA, offering opportunities for networking, knowledge exchange and collaboration. By leveraging the collective expertise of our community, we can elevate the standards of our industry and drive innovation forward.

As we embark on this journey together, I am optimistic that 2024 will be the best year yet for pest management professionals. With the support of Pestlink and the MPMA, I am confident that we can overcome any challenges and seize the countless opportunities that lie ahead.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working closely with each of you to achieve our shared goals.

Best regards,

Intan Noorafniza Anuar Vice President of Communication Editor MPMA Pestlink

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### MPMA's 29th Annual General Meeting on 22 June 2023

MPMA's 29th Annual General Meeting Date: June 22, 2023 (Thursday)

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: MPMA Secretariat Office, No.8-1A Jalan Perdana 6/8B,

Pandan Perdana, 55300 Kuala Lumpur.



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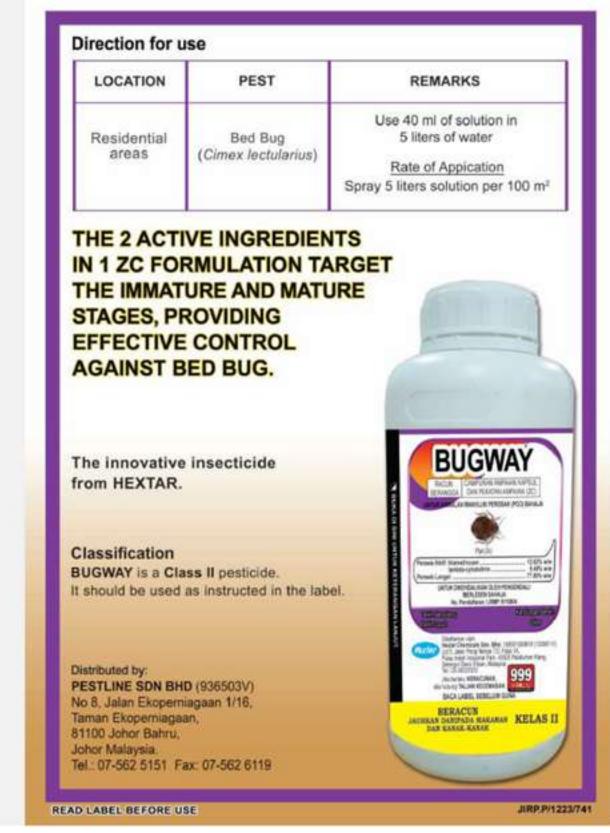




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### Meet & Greet at Kota Kinabalu, Sabah on 9 Oct 2023

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En. Faiz for sharing topic on pesticide and pest information.

















### BPKLP and KPKM visit to MPMA on 24 Oct 2023

Lawatan dari Bahagian Pembangunan Kapasiti dan Latihan Pertanian (BPKLP), Kementerian Pertanian dan Keterjaminan Makanan (KPKM) ke MPMA pada 24 Oct 2023









### Meet & Greet at Johor on 21 November 2023













### MPMA Bowling Tournament - 16 Dec 2023



MPMA Pest Control Companies bowling competition sponsored by the Envu Malaysia. Open to all skill levels, this tournament promises fun, camaraderie, and exciting prizes.

Date: 16 Dec 2023

Time: 10.00am - 01:00pm

Location: Supreme Bowl Sdn Bhd, Mid Valley Kuala Lumpur

















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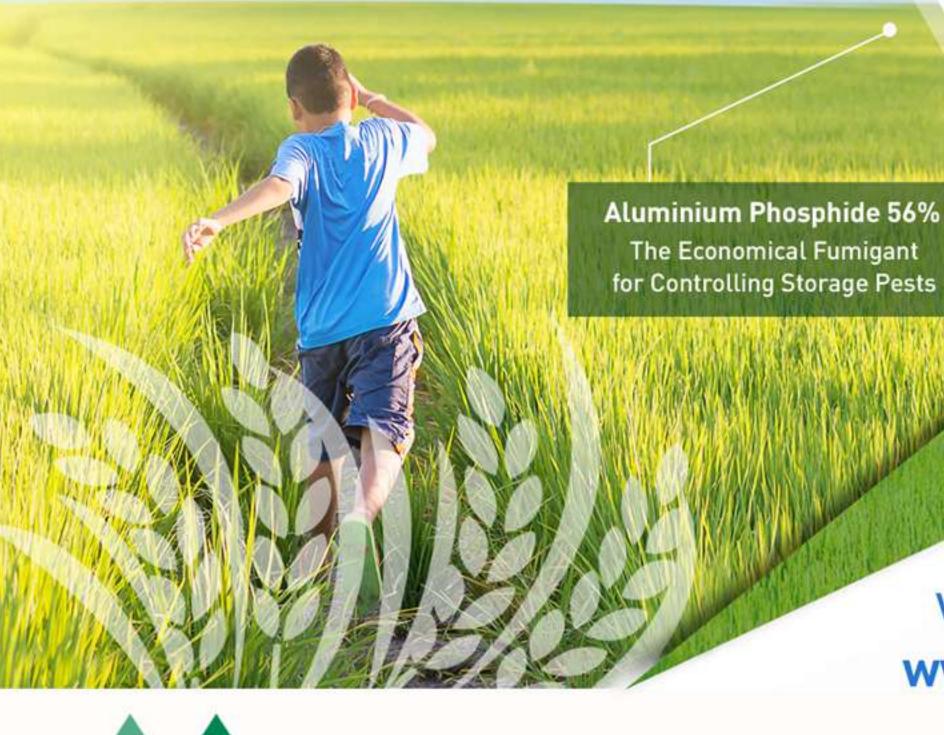


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### **QPS Methyl Bromide: No Longer an Environmental Threat**

The Montreal Protocol and the restoration of the ozone layer

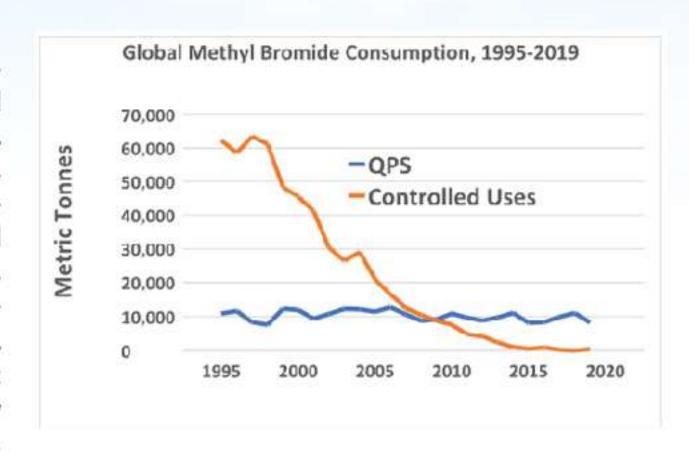
Just a few years after a massive "hole" was discovered in the Earth's protective layer of ozone over Antarctica, nations came together and promulgated an agreement to stop using the chemicals (mainly refrigerants or CFCs, and fire extinguishants, Halons) that were damaging to the ozone layer.

This agreement, known as the Montreal Protocol, has proven very successful, and, in a recent report, "Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion: 2022", a collaboration of scientists from around the world confirmed that the Montreal Protocol, ratified in 1987, has mostly achieved its original objective and that the ozone layer will be fully recovered by 2050.

While it was not included in the original version of the Montreal Protocol, Methyl Bromide was eventually added in 1995 after it was found to be a minor contributor to ozone depletion. Consequently, regulatory controls were put in place to phase out most fumigant (soil) uses of Methyl Bromide in a stepwise fashion by 2015. But, recognizing the essential role of Methyl Bromide in protecting the global food supply, nations agreed to exempt Quarantine and Pre- shipment uses from Montreal Protocol controls. This exemption, amounting to about 10,000 metric tons a year globally, continues until now.

### Methyl Bromide: a Produce of Nature

In contrast with other "Ozone Depleting Substances" (ODS) listed in the Montreal Protocol, Methyl Bromide has both natural and man-made sources. Natural sources, which include the oceans, wildfires, and salt marshes, create an atmospheric background level of about 5.5 parts per trillion of Methyl Bromide. At their peak around the year 2000, fumigant uses added another 4 ppt to the background level, bringing the total level to above 9 ppt. But, with the elimination of soil uses, the atmospheric level of Methyl Bromide has fallen rapidly and is now approaching its natural background. And, nowadays,



Methyl Bromide from fumigation contributes barely 15% to the total atmospheric Methyl Bromide and has become an insignificant source of atmospheric bromine.

### Ozone Layer and QPS Methyl Bromide: The Future is Bright

Today, looking at the most recent scientific projections, the ozone layer is expected to recover to its pre-1980 levels in about 25 years, by 2050. This is a remarkable result, driven mainly by the elimination of CFCs and Halons, and the firm resolve of nations to follow up on their commitments. These projections also show that total elimination of remaining Methyl Bromide QPS uses would bring this recovery forward by only about a year – a period well within the margin of error of the projections, and insignificant at the scope of a human lifetime, let alone multiple generations.

### In summary:

- The controls imposed by the Montreal Protocol on CFCs and Halons have virtually eliminated the global use of these chemicals, leading to the rapid recovery of the ozone layer;
- Methyl Bromide for QPS applications has never been controlled by the Montreal Protocol, and this situation is not likely to change;
- Continued global use of QPS Methyl Bromide at the rate of 10,000 metric tons per year is projected to contribute insignificantly to total atmospheric bromine. The Parties to the Montreal Protocol continue to recognize the importance of Methyl Bromide for QPS uses, and as importantly, fully understand that canceling those uses would bring negligible environmental benefits. And while this was certainly not an anticipated consequence, the Montreal Protocol, in achieving its original objective to protect and restore the ozone layer, has also contributed to further cement the status of Methyl Bromide as the premier QPS fumigant in protecting international trade and every country's biotope.

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### Workshops Aug - Oct 2023





**URBAN PESTS IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP** AND HANDS-ON TRAINING







- THEME OF PROGRAM: URBAN PESTS
- VENUE: HEALTH OFFICE AUDITORIUM, PUTRAJAYA, MALAYSIA
- ORGANIZED BY: MALAYSIAN ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ENTOMOLOGY (PEKA) OBJECTIVES:
- 1. GET TO KNOW YOUR TERMITE SPECIES: AVOID KILLING THE IMPORTANT TERMITES FOR CONSERVATION.
- DATE: 21TH OF AUGUST 2023
- NO OF PARTICIPANTS: 64 PARTICIPANTS

2 TERMITICIDE HALF-LIFE AND DEGRADATION RATE: CHOSE YOUR TERMITICIDE CORRECTLY 3 INNOVATE YOUR TERMITE BAITING PRODUCT: SAVE COST, LABOR, AND TIME BUT SURE EFFECTIVE

4 RETHINK PEST MANAGEMENT FOR HOUSEHOLD PESTS 6 RODENT MANAGEMENT USING THE LATEST INNOVATION

THIS WORKSHOP EXPOSES PARTICIPANTS TO AN INTRODUCTION TO URBAN PESTS, BOTH IN THEORY AND PRACTICE, PARTICIPANTS ARE DIVIDED INTO SEVERAL GROUPS TO FACILITATE THE PRACTICAL SESSION. THE THEORETICAL BRIEFING PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT URBAN PESTS ARE, WHY THEY ARE CONSIDERED PESTS. THEIR IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, CONTROL MEASURES, AND SUITABLE PESTICIDES TO ADDRESS URBAN PEST PROBLEMS. PARTICIPANTS ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE COMMON SPECIES OF URBAN PESTS IN HUMAN ENVIRONMENTS DURING THE PRACTICAL SESSION. THE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS OF URBAN PESTS IS CRUCIAL TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE CONTROL METHODS TO BE IMPLEMENTED. THE PARTICIPANTS CONSIST OF INDIVIDUALS FROM BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM PEST CONTROL COMPANIES.

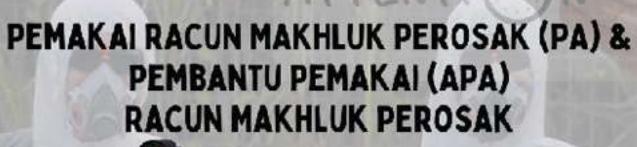


PROVIDING EXPOSURE AND ENHANCING BASIC TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE, OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS, AND MAINTENANCE OF EACH CONTROL EQUIPMENT, ESPECIALLY THERMAL SPRAY MACHINES AND ULV

### 22ND -23RD NOVEMBER 2023

THIS WORKSHOP PROVIDES INFORMATION ON VARIOUS TYPES OF EQUIPMENT THAT CAN BE USED FOR VECTOR AND PEST CONTROL IN PUBLIC HEALTH. PARTICIPANTS ALSO LEARN TECHNIQUES RELATED TO THE MAINTENANCE OF THE TOOLS TO ENSURE THAT THE IMPLEMENTED CONTROL METHODS ARE COST-EFFECTIVE. IT IS ATTENDED BY LOCAL **AUTHORITIES AND PEST CONTROL COMPANIES** 







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