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HCPA Responds to Study on Effectiveness of Total Release Foggers

Washington D.C. – In response to a study that questions the effectiveness of total release foggers, the Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) released the following statement, attributed to Dr. Steven Bennett, Senior Vice President, Scientific Affairs.

Many consumers rely on household insecticides and repellents, including foggers, aerosols and baits, to protect their homes from insect infestations.

Household pest control products are regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and reviewed by the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs for safety. These products go through an extensive risk assessment that takes into account many factors, including practices that affect exposure, time spent using the product, toxicity, ingredient levels, and activity patterns in the home. In addition, EPA requires manufacturers to demonstrate the efficacy of these products.

Safety is always the first priority of the household and commercial products industry, and total release foggers are an important tool in pest control defense. Consumers can be confident that, when used according to EPA-approved label directions, these total release foggers are both safe and effective.

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About HCPA

The Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) is the premier trade association representing companies that manufacture and sell \$180 billion annually of products used for cleaning, protecting, maintaining, and disinfecting homes and commercial environments. HCPA member companies employ 200,000 people in the U.S. whose work helps consumers and workers to create cleaner, healthier and more productive lives.