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HCPA Commends EPA for Releasing New Pet Spot-On Product Reporting Guidance

Washington D.C. – The Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) commends the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for <u>implementing new pet spot-on product reporting guidance</u>, easing the regulatory burden on both companies and the EPA. Data collected from a pilot program was used to inform these new regulatory standards, which will eliminate the two-year registration requirement for these products. This procedural change allows companies to use standardized enhanced incident and sales reporting templates for annual incident reporting.

"HCPA and its member companies have been significant collaborators in the pet spot-on flea and tick products pilot program, which was instrumental in establishing this new reporting guidance," said Steve Caldeira, President & CEO of HCPA. "Member feedback coupled with the significant data from the pilot program was instrumental in validating that the two-year registration requirement was burdensome for both companies and the EPA. We're confident this new guidance will ensure that pet spot-on products remain safe and effective, while also establishing manageable and accurate reporting practices."

The EPA will continue to actively manage pet spot-on registrations through registration review, and by reviewing labels for mitigation whenever registrants request amendments. The EPA may still initiate action at any time to address concerns if it identifies unreasonable adverse effects. Such actions can include mandatory label changes or cancellation of the registration.

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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.