

HCPA's Annual Pesticide Regulation Workshop Step toe, Washington, D.C.

September 30 – October 2, 2025

Day One		
	Registration and Breakfast	8:30 to 9:00 AM EDT
1	An Overview of Pesticide Regulation. The important sections of FIFRA. Why FIFRA is a mix of registration and misbranding law. The business objectives of regulatory compliance. Important resources. The roles of EPA and the states.	1 hour <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
2	Understanding Regulated Products. The intent test for pesticides. Differences between pesticides, devices, treated articles, and application equipment. Substances excluded from FIFRA regulation. Products that are not pesticides for assorted reasons. Pesticides that are exempted from FIFRA regulation. Pesticides that may be distributed or sold without registration.	45 minutes <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
	Break	15 minutes
3	Types of Registrations. Technical-grade active ingredients, other manufacturing-use products, and end-use products. Supplemental distribution (distributor products).	30 minutes <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia)</i>
4	EPA Registration Division. Overview of and update regarding activities within the EPA's Registration Division.	30 minutes <i>Charles "Billy" Smith (EPA)</i>
	Lunch	12:00 to 1:00 PM EDT
5	Key Considerations for Pesticide Product Development. Elements of a successful strategy to obtain approvals and bring new pesticide products to the market, including product formulation, product label development, registration data requirements, budget development, timelines, and state-law considerations.	1 hour, 15 minutes <i>Abigail Wacek (Sagentia)</i>
	Break	15 minutes
6	Importing and Exporting Pesticides. Importing pesticides, including the Notice of Arrival of Pesticides and Devices and the electronic equivalent (eNOA). Options for importing misbranded pesticides. Exporting pesticides, including the labeling of pesticides for export. Purchaser acknowledgment statements for exports of unregistered pesticides.	1 hour <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
7	Pesticide Devices. FIFRA requirements for selling and distributing (including importing and exporting) devices. PRIA M009 device determinations. Increased prevalence of devices and device issues, including but not limited to qualifying and substantiating product performance (efficacy) claims.	30 minutes <i>Abigail Wacek (Sagentia)</i>
8	Building an Application Package. Administrative forms. Data volumes. Labeling. CDX portal requirements (submissions that can use the portal).	30 minutes <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia)</i>
	Reception Hosted by Step toe	4:30 to 5:30 PM EDT

Day Two		
	Breakfast	8:30 to 9:00 AM EDT
9	EPA Antimicrobials Division. Overview of and update regarding activities within the EPA's Antimicrobials Division.	30 minutes <i>Elizabeth Donovan (EPA)</i>
10	Reporting and Recordkeeping. Reporting and recordkeeping under FIFRA. Establishing registration and reporting. Recordkeeping requirements for producers. Risk/benefit ("adverse effects") reporting under section 6(a)(2) of FIFRA.	1 hour <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
	Break	15 minutes
11	Inert Ingredients and Tolerance Petitions. EPA databases. PRIA fees. Data requirements.	30 minutes <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia)</i>
12	Understanding Data Compensation. Claim preparation. The arbitration process. Current trends.	30 minutes <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
13	EPA Biopesticides Division. Overview of and update regarding activities within the EPA's Biopesticides Division.	30 minutes <i>Geoffrey Sinclair (EPA)</i>
	Lunch	12:15 to 1:15 PM EDT
14	Registration Review. How to prepare and respond, including options for responding to EPA data call-in (DCI) notices. The lessons of a recent EPA suspension hearing finding that a registrant's response to a DCI notice for DCPA was legally inadequate. The importance of joint data development task forces.	30 minutes <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia)</i> <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
15	FIFRA Enforcement. Overview of FIFRA's unlawful acts. How EPA determines FIFRA violations. Enforcement responses available to EPA under FIFRA, including stop sale, use, or removal orders. How EPA calculates civil monetary penalties. Avoiding FIFRA enforcement by self-auditing under EPA's voluntary disclosure policies.	45 minutes <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
16	MyPest Presentation. Update on latest MyPest features and hands-on feature demonstration with question and answer.	60 minutes <i>Dan Schoeff (EPA)</i>
	Break	15 minutes
17	State Regulation of Pesticides. An overview of state pesticide regulation. Types of state-specific product registrations (adjuvants, devices, minimum-risk pesticides, fertilizers, etc.).	1 hour 15 minutes <i>Kelly Rahn (Sagentia)</i>
	Dinner on Your Own	5:00 PM EDT

Day Three		
	Breakfast	8:30 to 9:00 AM EDT
19	Practicum. Attendees will be provided with the materials and data packages necessary to build a pesticide application. Attendees will then apply the knowledge garnered throughout the workshop to build a pesticide application. Presenters will facilitate the process.	2 hours <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
	Break	15 minutes
20	Practicum (continued) with Working Lunch.	2 hours and 30 minutes <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
21	Practicum Lessons Learned. Attendees and presenters will share lessons learned from the practicum.	1 hour <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
	Workshop Ends	2:45 PM EDT