Pest Management Partnerships for Food Safety Success

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The Client’s Decision

We’re using IPM from now on.
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What is IPM?

What exactly is “integrated”?

- Commercial Pest Management Company?
- Commercial Food Client?
- Both, plus all of their employees?
Commercial Pest Management

Five of 22 Chapters

• Being a Successful Commercial PMP
• IPM in Commercial Pest Management
• Pest Prevention in Commercial Accounts
• What Commercial Pest Management Customers Want
• Regulatory Considerations in Commercial Pest Management
Putting Together the IPM Puzzle
IPM Puzzle Pieces

Keeping Pests Out Must be Your top IPM strategy!

- Building and Property
- Doors and Openings
- Inbound Shipments
- Employee Behavior

An Ounce Of (Pest) Prevention Is Worth More Than A Pound Of Cure !!!

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Poor Sanitation

• Attracts pests
• Feeds pests
• Protects pests
• Food safety risk
IPM Puzzle Pieces

- Lighting
- Air Movement
- Temperature
  - Higher temperatures
  - Lower temperatures
- Moisture/Humidity
- Other

Physical Control

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Let’s review responsibilities . . .

**Commercial PMP**
- Pest inspection
- Pest IDentification
- Document deficiencies
- Client recommendations
- IPM strategies
- Monitor progress

**Commercial Food Client**
- Structural integrity/maintenance
- Exclusion – openings
- Exclusion – incoming shipments
- Cleaning and Sanitation
- Trash handling
- Lighting – type and management
- Drainage and drains
- Landscaping and environment
- Pest sightings/reporting
- Employee behavior/cooperation
Summary

Successful IPM programs and (food safety) require the cooperation of the food company client and all of their employees. Without it, the pest control program will regress to regular pesticide applications. Partnerships and teamwork are critical to the success of IPM programs, not just in the food industry.