APHIS Methyl Bromide Alternatives Methods Development Completed 2012

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APHIS-PPQ develops postharvest QPS treatment methods for imported and domestic commodities, conveyances, and garbage. The agency also evaluates and approves treatments developed by other countries for commodities that they wish to export to the US. Although funds are dedicated primarily to alternatives, MB remains the best and only option in many cases to minimize commodity pest risk and keep trade moving, underscoring that the US relies upon MB for QPS uses. This presentation will highlight notable advances made during 2012.