

Post-harvest EPA Session – 2 hour duration

DATE: TBD		TIME: TBD
Updates on EPA Risk Assessment and Risk Management Strategies For Post-Harvest Uses of Fumigants		Moderators: Rick Keigwin/Jeff Dawson/Colwell Cook/Shalu Shelat
30 minutes	Overview of Methyl Bromide Risks & Mitigation Strategy	
90 minutes	Open discussion	

Goal: The U.S. EPA has evaluated the potential risks associated with the post-harvest uses of methyl bromide and is in the process of completing risk analysis for other similar fumigants. In its effort to develop a flexible approach for managing the potential risks associated with methyl bromide, many decisions must be made in order to effectively use the pesticide and to manage the possibility of exposures not only to those involved in fumigation but also to other workers who may be exposed and to those in surrounding communities. An overview of the risk analysis and risk management strategy for methyl bromide will be presented. Some unique challenges associated with this case will also be discussed including possible impacts of exposure on workers who handle previously treated commodities. Finally, the framework of this effort will be discussed relative to how it will apply to other fumigant products currently being considered in the U.S. EPA risk assessment and risk management process. An open discussion period will follow the presentations.