

Overview of Biopesticide Industry Alliance (BPIA)

- What are we?
 - A coalition of members of the biopesticide industry and ad hoc members such as IR-4, USDA Forest Service and biopesticide regulatory consultants
- Who are we?
 - Currently there are 32 voting member companies and 7 ad hoc memberships in BPIA – only criterion is that the company must have >50% of its business in biopesticides

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- BPIA MISSION
 - To improve the global market perception of biopesticides as effective products
 - To facilitate the successful registration process of biopesticides
- BPIA FOCUS
 - Two classes of biopesticides
 - microbials
 - biochemicals

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- KEY GOALS of BPIA
 - develop an industry “seal of approval” to demonstrate that biopesticides are effective and high quality alternatives to traditional crop protection products
 - demonstrate that biopesticides can be used either alone or in IPM programs
 - develop a strong working relationship with the US EPA, PMRA, IR-4, DPR and other Agencies
 - disseminate guidelines, policies and procedures to the industry and other stakeholders

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- STATUS

- First meeting, 19 April 2000 with 9 people
- Meetings 3/year – in DC, Ottawa and Sacramento
- Regulatory Committee and other groups have met with regulators in BPPD, Canada and California
- Standards Committee working towards set of criteria for industrial “seal of approval”
- Secured membership in the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee to bring biopesticide issues to the forefront
- Open dialogues and discussions have benefited industry and regulators