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TO

ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT

THREE (3) YEAR VALIDITY CREDIT FOR

ATTENDANCE TO A RELEVANT SYMPOSIUM AS A REQUIREMENT FOR RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION

OF CERTIFIED PESTICIDE APPLICATORS (CPA)

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In line with the objectives of the FPA accreditation program to update and upgrade handlers on the advancement and current developments in pest control operations, attendance to a relevant symposium /refresher course conducted by professional organizations recognized by the FPA is a mandatory requirement for renewal of accreditation of a CPA as provided for under FPA Memorandum Circular No. 5 dated June 24, 1994. Attendance to such a symposium is valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance of a corresponding certificate of attendance.

On November 2003, the Federation of Asian and Oceania Pest Managers Association (FAOPMA), in cooperation with the Pest Exterminators Association of the Philippines (PEAP) is scheduled to hold the first ever international pest control convention in the Philippines. The event is expected to create a favorable image for the local pest control industry as well as boost the country's economy and tourism promotions initiatives.

To bring in and encourage support for this significant and momentous event, the FPA hereby grants a special privilege to all CPAs and concerned individuals and entities who will attend this international convention in the form of a three (3) year validity credit of the symposium requirement for their renewal of CPA accreditation. This special privilege shall be guided by the following provisions:

This three (3) year validity credit shall only be applicable to those who 1. attended the international pest control convention.

The three (3) year validity credit shall commence on the date of issuance of the corresponding certificate of attendance to the international pest control convention.



3. CPAs whose accreditation will expire from January to November 2003 are encouraged to attend this international pest control convention. The symposium requirement in the processing and approval of their application for renewal of accreditation shall be temporarily waived.

4. A letter of undertaking signifying the intent to attend the international pest control convention shall be executed by the applicant for renewal

of accreditation.

5. This three (3) year validity credit privilege shall also apply to agricultural CPAs and other concerned or interested parties.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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