

NORAHG RESPONDS TO THE AMATEURISH & DISCREDITED ASSESSMENT BY FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (FOE)

On June 25th, 2014, Friends of the Earth, an anti-pesticide organization, alleged that « bee-killing pesticides » were found in garden center plants produced by the nursery industry. This assessment by FOE is OUTRAGEOUSLY FALSE ! The FOE assessment (a.k.a. Gardeners Beware) has been discredited since its tests did not conform to internationally-accredited practices, and there was no legal chain of custody for the plant samples tested. Experts have quickly criticized and condemned the amateurish and unscientific assessment by FOE, which was not performed under Good Laboratory Practice. World-wide, the expert and scientific assessments of all pest control products must be conducted under those guidelines which adhere to principles of the internationally-accredited Good Laboratory Practice (GLP). FOE is relying upon an assessment that is not subject to stringent GLP requirements or statutory sanction. Consequently, the FOE assessment is discredited ! Experts have quickly criticized and condemned the amateurish and unscientific assessment by FOE, since there was no legal chain of custody for the plant samples tested. The samples themselves were collected by mere gardening housewives. And the samples were then handled by FOE-activists, who have a clear political agenda against neonicotinoid insecticides. It is extremely likely that FOE-activists tampered with the samples by deliberately contaminating them with insecticide. The tampering was performed with the malicious intent of coercing and intimidating government officials into prohibiting neonicotinoid insecticides. Consequently, the FOE assessment is again discredited ! The FOE assessment has been further discredited since its finding could not be published in any peer-reviewed and legitimate scientific journal. The FOE assessment is merely an amateurish attempt to perform pesticide research. It is clear that the amateurish and unscientific FOE assessment was performed with a political agenda to conspire to impose prohibition against neonicotinoid insecticides used in the urban landscape, the nursery industry, and the agriculture industry. Moreover, the mere ability to measure or detect the presence of an insecticide ingredient in a plant is not an indication that it poses any risk to bees, especially in parts per million. Neonicotinoid insecticides will cause no harm to bees since their exposure is at very low levels, far too low to cause harmful effects. Even at these low levels, the active ingredient is short-lived. Additionally, neonicotinoid insecticides will cause no harm to bees since the active ingredients work their way systemically to the inside of the plant. The plant tissues contain only tiny amounts of ingredient that are unavailable to bees since they are not feeding on the plants. It is a myth to believe that plants treated with neonicotinoid insecticides will somehow cause harm to bees. It is clear that FOE has a clear political agenda to conspire to impose prohibition against

neonicotinoid insecticides. FOE is operated by truth-challenged non-expert anti-pesticide lobbyists who are paid-for-profit to subversively concoct imaginary dangers about pest control products. The amateurish and unscientific FOE assessment does not provide any credible information to EPA and Health Canada to justify its subversive anti-pesticide conspiracy campaign. FOE also ridiculously implies that its amateurish and unscientific assessment is somehow being withheld from EPA, Health Canada and every other regulatory agency in the world. EPA and Health Canada, and not FOE, has the essential expertise and credibility concerning pest control products. Friends of the Earth's assessment has been discredited, and this organization clearly has no expertise regarding pest control products. When used properly, neonicotinoid insecticides cause no harm, and do not hurt bees. For the whole truth regarding BEES, go to ... <http://wp.me/p1jq40-6WJ> <http://wp.me/P1jq40-2BA> <http://wp.me/p1jq40-6H8> <http://wp.me/p1jq40-7ty> NORAHG is the National Organization Responding Against HUJE that seek to destroy the Green space industry. WILLIAM H. GATHERCOLE AND NORAH G. Get the latest details at The Pesticide Truths Web-Site <http://pesticidetruths.com/> and go to The Complete Library Of Web-Pages, Reports, & References <http://wp.me/P1jq40-2rr>