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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
MASSACHUSETTS PESTICIDE BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Location: Meeting to be held via remote participation.
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            Posted: January 14, 2026

The agenda of the meeting is as follows:

A. *Roll Call*

B. *Meeting Minutes.* The Pesticide Board Subcommittee will consider approval of the minutes for the November 25, 2025 meeting. (Vote required)

C. *Pesticide Product Registrations*: The Pesticide Board Subcommittee will consider for registration the pesticide products in the cover sheet for the January 20, 2026 meeting. (Vote required)

D. *Section 18 Emergency Exemption Request*: The Pesticide Board Subcommittee will consider a Section 18 (Specific Exemption) for the use of Excalia® Fungicide (a.i., Inpyrfluxam) in the 2026 use season to manage target spot (*Rhizoctonia solani*) in tobacco in Massachusetts. (Vote required)

E. *New Active Ingredient:* The Pesticide Board Subcommittee will consider the registration of the following product:
   – Shielder (EPA Reg. No. 91554-2-72662), a broad-spectrum biological fungicide containing the new active ingredient Sodium Bicarbonate, and labeled for use on various crops and ornamentals to control fungal diseases via induced systemic resistance and increased alkalinity. (Vote required)

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F. *New Business*

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