

# Ag Professionals Invited To Problem-Solving Contest

TOWANDA (Bradford Co.) — All ag professionals are invited to the Dairy On-Farm Problem-Solving Satellite Conference to be held on June 2.

The conference is open to all ag professionals who advise dairy farmers at the farm level, including consultants, feed company representatives, veterinarians, AI technicians, and milking equipment dealers.

The Bradford County Cooperative Extension Office will be serving as a down-link site for this teleconference. Registration is from 8 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

The conference is targeted at teaching ag professionals a systematic approach to on-farm problem-solving. The goal of this conference is to encourage participants to expand their thinking and work cooperatively with other ag professionals when examining farm problems.

The schedule includes five satellite segments to provide basic knowledge of farm records, animal facilities, feed storage, and other topics. Following each segment, participants will have an opportunity to apply the problem-solving principles during practice sessions. Participants will gain additional experience using group problem-solving skills while visiting a local dairy farm during the afternoon segment.

The total cost of the conference will be \$30 and can be paid on June 2. This cost includes lunch and a notebook of materials from Penn State. For more information or to register, please call the Bradford County Cooperative Extension Office at (717) 265-2896.

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of the drug.

### Summary

1. Naxcel is a relatively new injectable antibiotic now available for use in pigs. Use of the drug must be on the order of a veterinarian.

2. Although it is currently labeled only for respiratory problems due to Actinobacillus, Salmonella, Strep. Suis and Pasteurella, the drug has a broad range of activity.

3. There is no withdrawal period for the product.

4. It is expensive. If you've got respiratory problems that do not respond to more traditional treatments and herd health programs, you might consider trying Naxcel.

If the respiratory disease complex is currently under control in your herd, weigh the costs carefully and seek advice from your veterinarian before making Naxcel a

major part of your program.

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## Don't Discard Plastic Containers — Recycle Them

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — The American farmer uses almost sixty million plastic containers of crop protection chemicals each year. Most of these containers go to landfills or are burned at the farm.

Lancaster County farmers are being asked not to throw away those plastic containers this growing season. Farmers are being asked to bring the containers to several convenient sites in Lancaster County to utilize/recycle containers into other uses.

The American agricultural chemical industry is the first industry in the nation to be working for programs to reduce the amount of packaging material in the waste stream. They estimate that in 1994 recycling programs in 25 states will collect over 1.3 million pounds of plastic pesticide containers at state approved sites.

The Agricultural Container Research Council (ACRC) is supporting recycling programs across the nation to collect empty containers and to find other uses for them. To date, due to the potential for residues in recycled materials, most of the plastic collected is being utilized in the generation of electricity. As research finds alternative uses and assesses the risk of residues other uses of the plastic will replace the burning.

To be acceptable for recycling, plastic pesticide containers must be empty, clean, inspected, uncapped, dry, the label must be on the container, and the containers cannot be smashed or cut up.

An empty clean container is one that has been triple- or pressure-washed. Containers will be inspected by a Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture employee before they are accepted. Caps must be removed and the container must be dry when brought to the collection site. All containers must be in tact and have a label showing its content.

The collection will be at the following locations on the dates listed:

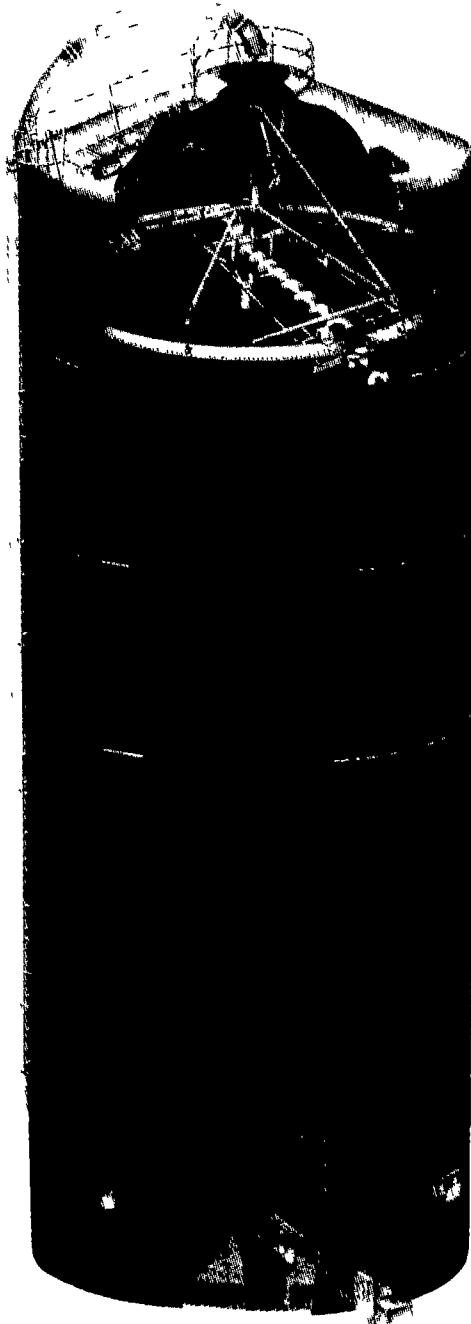
- Henry Hoover, 1731 W. Main Street, Ephrata, PA - May 19, June 17, July 15, August 16 and November 2.
- G & G Feed and Supply, Rear 123 E. Stiegel Street, Manheim, PA - May 20, June 20, July 18, August 17 and November 4.
- Benjamin Landis, 587 Strasburg Road, Strasburg, PA - June 1, July 1, August 3 and September 2.
- Gideon King, 5465 Elam Road, Kinzers, PA - June 3, July 6, August 5 and September 3.
- Martin's Ag Service, 358 Grist Mill Road, New Holland, PA - June 9, July 8, August 9 and October 5.

• Little Britain Agri Service, 398 Little Britain Road, Quarryville, PA - June 10, July 14, August 12 and October 7.

All sites will be open on dates listed from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

For more information, contact the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture at (717) 787-4843 or the Lancaster County Cooperative Extension Office at (717) 394-6851. Please do not call the drop-off sites for information.

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