Advertising/News Deadlines For Holiday, Farm Show Issues

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and January 6 issues. Many of these deadlines are the week prior to the week of publication.

The deadlines are as follows: December 30th Issue

Office Closed Christmas - Monday, 1/25. Public Sale Ads — 5 p.m., Friday, 12/22 (past). Mailbox Markets — 5 p.m., Friday, 12/22 (past). General News - Noon, Thursday, 12/28. Classified Section C Ads - 5 p.m. Wednesday, 12/27. All Other Classifieds — 9 a.m., Thursday, 12/28. January 6, 1996 Farm Show Issue Office Closed New Year's Day - Monday, 1/1. Public Sale Ads — 4 p.m., Friday, 12/22 (past). Mailbox Markets — 5 p.m., Friday, 12/22 (past). General News — Noon, Wednesday, 1/3. Classified Section C Ads - 5 p.m., Tuesday, 1/2.

All Other Classifieds — 9 a.m., Wednesday, 1/3.

Crop Protection Associations Announce Cleanup Cooperation

WASHINGTON, D.C.-The American Crop Protection, Association (ACPA) and the Agricultural Retailers Association (ARA) announced joint guidelines to assist the environmental cleanup of retail agricultural chemical dealer sites.

The new guidelines call for both voluntary and fee-based reimbursement mechanisms, depending on the situation, and are aimed at accelerating the assessment and remediation of contaminated sites.

ACPA President Jay J. Vroom said, "We want to emphasize that this joint agreement strengthens our commitment to environmental stewardship."

As far as implementation 1s concerned, ARA President Dr. Paul Kindinger said, "We intend to continue to work closely with state and regional agricultural chemical associations in addressing this issue and believe that the new guidelines will foster both cooperation with them and greater environmental stewardship."

Common elements of the new guidelines, whether voluntary or fee-based, include:

•Confidential environmental audits.

•Clean-up standards keyed to the future use of the site.

•Acceptance by appropriate state authorities of completed remediation programs.

Key features of voluntary programs include incentives to property owners, provided sites do not represent immediate threats to health or the environment, and flexible cleanup schedules. Essential provisions of fee-based programs are maximum and minimum balances for the remediation fund, significant financial deductibles for dealers and growers to initiate cleanup, ceilings on total reimbursement per remediation, and collection of fees at the retail dealer level.

To date, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Illinois have enacted legislation establishing agricultural chemical cleanup programs. Approximately 20 more states, including Ohio and Pennsylvania, have established voluntary remediation programs available to





