

Building Code Committee Report to the Board 2023 Annual Meeting Reno, NV August 22, 2023

Chair, Grant Bishop, West Virginia Department of Agriculture

The Building Code Committee serves as the expert committee for the Association on issues related to building codes and construction practices that impact pest management and pest control regulation. Polyurethane Spray Foam insulation used in new and existing construction has been the recent focus of the committee resulting in the development of a state survey and white paper. These documents can be viewed on www.ASPCRO.org, Spray Polyurethane Foam Insulation (SPFI) survey and SPFI white paper.

The Building Code Committee convened in person the morning of August 22, 2023, at the Annual Meeting in Reno, Nevada. The Chair reported the following activities at The Board of Directors meeting in the afternoon. Topics of discussion included continued efforts to revise the International Code Council Energy Codes that address spray foam and fostering relationships with National Association of Home Builders and National Association of Realtors. Additionally, the group discussed products posing as treated article when in fact they are not. It was suggested the committee work on consumer outreach to include warnings not to interpret treated insulation articles as protecting the structures from pests.

Attendees: Grant Bishop, WVDA Jim Wright, BASF Chris White, TAP Pest Control Insulation, LLC Scott Eubanks, Northwest Exterminating Bob Davis, BASF