



ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Article I Name and Organization

The name of this association is The Interstate Pest Control Compact. The Interstate Pest Control Compact is designated an unincorporated nonprofit association.

Article II Intent and Purpose

It is the intent of The Interstate Pest Control Compact to remedy funding restraints, bridge the jurisdictional gaps that exist among federal and state governments and more adequately address the realities of dynamic plant pest infestations or outbreaks. Through contractual agreements, the Compact allows individual States, Commonwealths, or Territories to contribute to plant pest control, suppression, or eradication beyond their state boundaries. Contributors wishing to make donations to the Interstate Pest Control Compact to assist the organization in its intent are welcomed and encouraged to do so. The Interstate Pest Control Compact is organized exclusively for the charitable purpose of providing financial assistance to States who may not have the necessary resources to combat plant pest infestations that threaten the agricultural and natural resources of other states impacted by that infestation.

The Interstate Pest Control Compact consists of five or more member States, Commonwealths, or Territories joined by mutual consent and enabling State, Commonwealth, or Territory legislation for the common, nonprofit charitable purpose of protecting agriculture and the natural resources throughout the United States from the damage caused by invasive plant pests.

The Interstate Pest Control Compact may engage in any and all other charitable activities permitted to an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or corresponding future provisions of the federal tax law. To these ends, The Interstate Pest Control Compact may conduct and engage in any and all lawful activities that may be incidental or reasonably necessary to any of these purposes, and it shall have and may exercise all other powers and authority now or hereafter conferred upon unincorporated nonprofit corporations.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation/organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation/organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or

the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. These Articles of Association are supplementary to the Compact and the Organization's bylaws pursuant to which the Pest Control Insurance Fund and its Governing Board function.

Article III Office and Duration

1. The office of Executive Director shall be located at the address at which the Executive Director has official residence; or at such place as The Interstate Pest Control Compact may from time to time determine, or as the business of The Interstate Pest Control Compact may require.
2. The duration of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be perpetual.
3. The withdrawal of any member of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall not result in the dissolution of The Interstate Pest Control Compact.

Article IV Structure and Membership

The Interstate Pest Control Compact consists of States, Commonwealths, or Territories of the United States dedicated to the protection of agriculture and natural resources, through administration of a pest control insurance fund dedicated to the purpose of financing other than normal plant pest control operations which states may be called upon to engage in pursuant to the Compact. A State, Commonwealth, or Territory may become a member of the Interstate Pest Control Compact and of the Compact's Pest Control Insurance Fund by adopting state legislation similar to the Pest Control Compact Model Enabling Act, and appropriating and paying to the Compact's Insurance Fund the required State assessment amount as determined by the Pest Control Compact Model Enabling Act. This assessment is a one-time charge unless the fund balance is reduced, through use, to a level where it can no longer function according to the provisions of the Compact. Also, the assessed payment can be spread over as many as six years.

The Interstate Pest Control Compact does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religious affiliation, handicap, national origin, or other personal or political factor.

Article V Association Leadership

Each member State, Commonwealth, or Territory will be represented on the Governing Board of The Interstate Pest Control Compact by its State Compact Administrator. The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be governed by at least four (4) officers and a five-member Executive Committee to be determined by the Governing Board. The Governing Board shall elect annually, from among its members, a chairman, a vice chairman, a secretary, and a treasurer. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the chairman of the Governing Board and four additional members of the Governing Board chosen by it so that there shall be one member representing each of four geographic groupings of party states. The Governing Board shall make such geographic groupings. The Governing Board may appoint an executive director and fix his

duties and his compensation, if any. Such executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Governing Board. The Executive Director will be designated as The Interstate Pest Control Compact's agent in this state/commonwealth, as needed, following state law requirements.

A quorum shall require the actual presence of a majority of the members of the Governing Board. No voting by proxy, through the mail, or otherwise by persons not present shall be allowed.

No part of the net earnings of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its Governing Board, officers, or private persons except that the Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of section 501(c) (3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Article VI Accounting and Records

The fiscal year of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be July 1 through June 30 of each year.

All meeting minutes, annual reports, correspondence, and other records of The Interstate Pest Control Compact shall be preserved by the Officers. Records that have ceased to be of use for the conduct of the affairs of The Interstate Pest Control Compact may be turned over for preservation to a depository designated by it, or discarded.

Article VII Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of The Interstate Pest Control Compact, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(30) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

Adopted September 17, 2006

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N WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed these Articles of Association on this 17th day of September, 2006.

/s/

Roger Johnson
Commissioner, North Dakota Department of Agriculture
Chairman, IPCC

/s/

A.G. Kawamura
Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture
Vice Chairman, IPCC

/s/

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Treasurer, IPCC