



March 13, 2025

Dr. Lynn Dekleva
Deputy Assistant Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Keynote Invitation, Arlington, VA, April 24, 2025, 9:30 am

Dear Dr. Dekleva:

CropLife America (CLA) and RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment) congratulate you on your new role as Deputy Assistant Administrator at the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention. The Agency's work to register and regulate pesticides is of critical importance to America's farmers, and specialty pesticide users. We look forward to working with you and your team to increase the predictability, credibility and efficiency of EPA's program for the regulation of pesticides.

Each year CLA and RISE host a widely attended Regulatory Conference, which in 2025 will be held April 23-25 at the Renaissance Capital View in Arlington, Virginia. **We are excited to invite you to attend our conference as the Keynote Speaker.** Your insights as the new Deputy Assistant Administrator would be invaluable to our members and attendees, particularly as you address ensuring sound science in pesticide regulation, leadership on environmental issues, and offer perspectives on current and future Agency priorities. We would be happy to welcome you on **Thursday, April 24 for 45 minutes** (30 minutes of speaking and 15 minutes of moderated Q&A), **beginning at 9:30 am Eastern.** If this specific time does not work, we have some flexibility to accommodate your schedule.

CLA is the national trade association representing the manufacturers and distributors of agricultural pesticides. RISE represents manufacturers, formulators, and distributors of specialty pesticides and fertilizers. This Conference traditionally attracts over 400 leaders from more than 250 companies who are a part of our respective memberships, academics, stakeholders, and others who work daily with EPA on pesticide registrations and many other related aspects of the pesticide regulatory process.

Thank you for considering our request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (202) 296-1585 or via email at adunn@croplifeamerica.org or mprovost@pestfacts.org. Katie Stump, CLA's Senior Manager of Regulatory Affairs and Sustainability, is also available to assist at kstump@croplifeamerica.org). We look forward to hearing from you, and if you agree, to providing more guidance to assist you as you prepare your remarks.

Best regards,

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Alexandra Dapolito Dunn
President and CEO
CropLife America

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Megan J. Provost
President
RISE