

OCCUPANTS FUMIGATION NOTICE AND PESTICIDE DISCLOSURE

JOB ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_  
 Single Family Dwelling     Multi Family Dwelling     Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner/Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel. No. (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency No. (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel. No. (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency No. (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prime Contractor SIERRA TERMITE CONTROL    Emergency No. (562 ) 493-5700  
 Fumigation Contractor A1 FUMIGATION    Emergency No. (562 ) 866-7535  
 Target Pest(s):  Drywood Termites     Beetles     Other(s)  
 Fumigants proposed to be used:     Methyl Bromide     Vikane™ (Active Ingredient – Sulfuryl Fluoride)  
 Other(s) \_\_\_\_\_

CHLOROPICRIN WILL BE USED AS WARNING AGENT WITH EITHER FUMIGANT

Dates of fumigation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date changes/Alternative date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Initials \_\_\_\_\_

IMPORTANT – READ CAREFULLY

THIS BUILDING WILL BE FUMIGATED WITH LETHAL GASES ON THE DATE(S) INDICATED ABOVE. ALL PERSONS AND ANIMALS MUST VACATE THE PREMISES ON OR BEFORE ARRIVAL OF THE FUMIGATION CREW.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN ANYONE ENTER THE BUILDING UNTIL THE FUMIGATION COMPANY’S NOTICE IS POSTED GIVING THE TIME AND DATE FOR SAFE RE-ENTRY.

“State law requires that you be given the following information: CAUTION-PESTICIDES ARE TOXIC CHEMICALS. Structural pest control companies are registered and regulated by the Structural Pest Control Board, and apply pesticides which are registered and approved for use by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Registration is granted when the State finds that based on existing scientific evidence there are no Appreciable risks if proper use conditions are followed or that the risks are outweighed by the benefits. The degree of risk depends upon the degree of exposure, so exposure should be minimized.

If within 24 hours you experience symptoms of dizziness, headache, nausea, reduced awareness, slowed movement, garbled speech or difficulty in breathing, leave the structure immediately and seek medical attention by contacting your physician or Poison Control Center ( 800-876-4766 ) and notify your pest control company. The warning agent, chloropicrin, can cause symptoms of tearing, respiratory distress and vomiting. Entry into the space during fumigation can be fatal.

For further information, contact any of the following: Your pest control company ( See Above ) ; for Health Questions - The County Health Department ( See Below ); for Application Information – the County Agricultural Commissioner ( See Below ) and for Regulatory Information - the Structural Pest Control Board , 800 – 737 - 8188, 1418 Howe Avenue, Ste. 18, Sacramento, CA 95825.

FOR HEALTH QUESTIONS:

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER	POISON CONTROL CENTER	STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD
213-250-8055 ..... LA	626-575-5466 ..... LA	800-876-4766 ..... LA	
714-667-3600 ..... OR	714-447-7100 ..... OR	800-876-4766 ..... OR	STATE WIDE
951-358-5000 ..... RV	951-955-3000 ..... RV	800-876-4766 ..... RV	800-737-8188
909-387-6280 ..... SB	909-387-2105 ..... SB	800-876-4766 ..... SB	

(This section may be modified to include the information of geographical area served by the license.)

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of this document as well as a list that includes the instructions for the Necessary preparations for the fumigation , procedures for leaving the structure , and the following documents.

Fumigant Fact Sheet – How To use NYLOFUME Bags

\*\* Owner/Agent or Occupant will advise fumigator of any connected structures as described in Instructions/Preparations\*\*

We suggest that you notify nearby neighbors of the date of the fumigation and to keep pets away during the fumigation. Close off any open access to the sub area to prevent pets from entering.

Owner/Agent(signature) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupant(s)(signature) \_\_\_\_\_

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Los Alamitos, CA 90720  
(800) 993-9655 (562) 493-5700

Property Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fume Dates \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### Preparing Your Pet Cat for Fumigation

As you prepare your home for the upcoming fumigation, we want to remind you of a family member that is sometimes over looked, your cat. Cats are unique pets as they have a propensity to come and go as they please. Unlike a dog, cats prefer to be left with little to no attention on them. Having this freedom causes a variety of reactions when your pet becomes stressed. You may have noticed that as their environment changes or as a stranger enters their environment your cat may act odd or run and hide in a familiar place, and sometimes even find a new hiding place. The entire fumigation process, beginning when you start to prepare your home may cause your pet to hide more, sometimes making them impossible to find prior to the home being fumigated. Sometimes the homeowner is so distracted in the completing of preparations that they forget to remove their pet. The unfortunate ending is the loss of a loved one. Our fumigation company hopes to prevent this from happening to your family and hopes to remind you to *remove your pet from the property during the entire fumigation process.*

Even if you do not own a cat, you may have a neighbor whose pet roams the neighborhood. To help reduce the chances of their pet entering the structure during the fumigation process, we strongly recommend that you communicate your fumigation dates with your neighbors and close off any openings or vents around your home.

Our fumigation company utilizes Chloropicrin (tear gas) as a warning agent and Vikane Gas during every fumigation. The Vikane label states: "*Remove from the structure to be fumigated all persons, domestic animals, pets (including fish) and desirable growing plants.*" Cats are capable of ignoring the extreme physical distress of chloropicrin exposure and will not leave their hiding place to alert a fumigator of their presence before Vikane Gas is introduced. Fumigators depend on you to help prevent a tragedy from occurring.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**Gas Service Notice**

It is required that the Gas Company shut off the gas service the day before the date of fumigation. Our company will schedule to have the gas shut off at your property. Complete access to the gas meter is required, it is the homeowner/agents responsibility to be sure that the meter is accessible. Please make sure that gates are unlocked and that there are no loose dogs on the property.

Restoring the gas is the responsibility of the homeowner. You must call the Gas Company at least two days prior to your scheduled re-entry date. The Gas Company requires that an occupant be present when the service is restored. Please schedule an afternoon appointment.

**Please call the Gas Company at (800) 427-2200**

Also, a notice of re-entry will be posted on your front door. The Gas Company needs to see this before they can restore your service.

Attention Long Beach Residents: It is the HOMEOWNERS RESPONSIBILITY to schedule the gas service to be turned off the day before the fumigation, and have service restored the afternoon of re-entry. *You must call at least five days prior to the date of the fumigation.*

**Please Call Long Beach Energy at (562) 570-5700**

By signing below, I agree that I have read and understand this gas notice.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Homeowner/Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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### Warning for Expected Plant Damage

To fumigate your structure we must enclose it under a tarpaulin. Sometimes, no matter how careful we are plant damage will occur. Any plants that are covered during the fumigation process will die. Damage may also occur to any plants or vines that have to be detached during the fumigation.

#### Waiver, Release and Discharge of Claims and Liability for Property Damage.

I hereby waive, release and discharge *Sierra Termite Control, Inc.* from any and all responsibility or liability from any property damage, described in the previous paragraph that *Sierra Termite Control, Inc.* may cause during fumigation services, and any consequential property damage which may develop as a result of the fumigation.

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ have read, understand and agree to each provision of the Warning and Waiver.

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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### Waiver of Claims of Damage to Roof

**We are informing you that the utmost care will be taken during the fumigation process on your property. However, when the tarp method is used, there is a possibility of damage to wood shingles, tile and/or aluminum roofs, any antennas or satellite dishes, plants trees and shrubbery that are close to the structure being fumigated. Sierra Termite Control, Inc. can not and will not assume responsibility for any damage that may occur during the fumigation process.**

**The undersigned has been expressly informed by Sierra Termite Control, Inc. that due to the brittle and fragile nature of roof coverings including but not limited to (tile roofs, wood roofs and aluminum roofs) and the necessity of walking thereon, damage may occur while placing and removing the tarpaulin in the course of fumigation.**

**With full knowledge thereof, the undersigned holds Sierra Termite Control, Inc. harmless from the entire risk of roof covering damage, damage or misalignments to any antennas or satellite dishes, plants trees and shrubbery during the course of fumigation of the structure(s) and clean up thereafter.**

***Please note that failure to sign will result in cancellation of fumigation.***

**Property Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed by Owner/Agent** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Neighbors Release Form**

**Address:\_\_\_\_\_ Fume Date:\_\_\_\_\_**

**This is to inform you that a fumigation will be performed at the above-mentioned address. In order to complete the fumigation, we may need to enter your property. We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.**

**Please inform us of any conditions that we should be aware of prior to the fumigation date.**

**Special Instructions:\_\_\_\_\_**

**By signing below, you agree to let the fumigation crew access to your property in order to complete the fumigation process.**

**Neighbors Signature:\_\_\_\_\_**

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## **Fact Sheet for Vikane® Gas Fumigant (Sulfuryl Fluoride)**

In the interest of Dow AgroSciences' commitment to product stewardship, this fact sheet is intended to provide basic information about the product and how it is used. If you have specific questions about your fumigation, refer to documents provided by the fumigator or call the fumigator listed on the warning signs posted on your structure. If you have questions about Vikane® gas fumigant (the fumigant used) or the procedures described, call the Dow AgroSciences Customer Information Center at 1-800-352-6776.

### **WHY BUILDINGS ARE FUMIGATED**

Insects that feed or tunnel into wood can seriously damage houses, apartments, and other dwellings or structures. Each year termites or other wood destroying insects damage more than 5 million homes. Depending on the extent or location of the infestation, fumigation is the only total control method proven to eliminate certain infestations of wood destroying insects.

### **HOW BUILDINGS ARE FUMIGATED**

Because Vikane is a gas, prior to fumigation, the structure is completely sealed. This serves to contain Vikane in the building so it can penetrate wood thoroughly and eliminate the pests. Depending on the construction of the building, the doors and windows may be sealed with tape and a plastic sheet, or the structure may be covered with a tarp. The building will remain sealed for 2-72 hours depending on the specifics of the job. Warning signs are posted around the building notifying people to keep out.

After the tarp or tape is removed, a professional fumigator will aerate the structure by opening the doors and windows. Fans may also be used to clear out the building. Once the dwelling has been thoroughly aerated, the fumigator is required to measure the level of any fumigant remaining in the living space to ensure it is below the EPA approved concentration for reentry by the occupants. Extremely low levels of fumigant can remain for a short period of time in dead air spaces between walls and inside cabinets as well as porous materials such as furniture. The small amount of fumigant in these areas will continue to dissipate for a few hours after the fumigation but at levels well below the established safe reentry concentration. Your building should not be cleared for reoccupancy until it is safe to enter. The fumigator will post a notice on your building indicating the day and time for reentry. Structures can be occupied only when the concentration is 5 parts per million or less (this represents a margin of safety - laboratory animals have been exposed to 100 parts per million for 2 weeks with no adverse effects.) Because Vikane is a true gas and not a vapor, aeration is rapid. Recent studies demonstrated that in most structures levels are less than 1 part per million within 6 hours of clearing and have no detectable levels of Vikane® within 24 hours after the start of aeration.

Sulfuryl fluoride is a colorless, odorless gas, so a warning agent is added to the building that causes watery eyes and a scratchy throat. If you experience these symptoms in a structure that has been recently fumigated, you should leave immediately and call the pest control company to have your building retested.

#### SULFURYL FLUORIDE (POTENTIAL HEALTH RISKS FROM OVEREXPOSURE)

Sulfuryl fluoride is a gas and can potentially enter your body only through inhalation. Because it is a gas, it does not stay on dry surfaces, therefore, there is no exposure from touching treated surfaces.

##### *Nervous system and respiratory irritation:*

Overexposure to high levels of sulfuryl fluoride can result in nose and throat irritation and nausea. At high concentrations (such as those used during the fumigation) it can cause excess fluid in the lungs, sleepiness, pneumonia, and convulsions. These symptoms would be expected to appear within 8 hours after such an exposure. In the unlikely event you experience these symptoms in the building that has been recently fumigated, you should leave immediately. Consult your physician and call the pest control company to have your building retested.

##### *Additional studies:*

Sulfuryl fluoride has not been shown to cause birth defects in pregnant animals exposed under experimental conditions. In addition, current studies have demonstrated there are no mutagenic or genotoxic effects caused by exposure to sulfuryl fluoride.

#### **Safety Precautions and Homeowner Preparation**

- Discuss the treatment program in advance with your pest control company so you fully understand what will be done and what you need to do.
- Carefully follow the instructions you are given about what items you are to remove from your building.
- Stay out of the treated building until it is cleared for reentry.
- If you are interested or concerned, you should ask your pest control company to show the records of how your building was aerated before it was cleared to reentry.
- You may wish to increase ventilation by opening doors and windows.

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