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## Update

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- The story begins in 2006
  - Initial contact with EPA
- 2008 EPA requests survey of states
  - 8 of 14 states with incidents
- 2009 MI incident with bald eagles
- 2010 EPA Region 5 states create issue paper
- 2010 EPA requests second survey
  - 12 of 21 states with incidents



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- Michigan marketplace
  - 11 of 43 establishments recommend illegal use
- Indiana marketplace
  - 9 of 34 stores illegal recommendations
- 2013 SFIREG issue paper
  - Petition to restrict all uses
  - Petition reviewed and approved by SFIREG and submitted to EPA
- 2013 MSU lab publishes methods paper
- Indiana creates state RUP status

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- Registrant agreement
  - Will not restrict all uses
  - Label use statement “It is illegal...” 1-30-15
  - Icon with raccoon and “do not” symbol 1-30-15
  - No 1 & 5 pound containers by 4-1-17
  - Distribution restriction to farm stores
  - Educational pamphlets
    - Point of sale
  - Monitor misuse for 5 years
    - 12-15 states (OH, MI, WI)
  - Report annually to EPA OPP



# Measure Methomyl Risk Mitigation

- POM accepted MI as lead on state input to registrant from 12-15 entities
- Measure risk mitigation works
  - **YOU CAN HELP!!!!**
  - Consider being one of the annual reporters
    - Contact me to participate
    - I may reach out to you
  - Considering annual surveys
  - Consider marketplace/internet surveillance
  - Talk to your DNR



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