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PESTICIDE EXAMS CANCELLATION NOTICE AND UPDATE

Dear Pesticide Exam Applicant:

You are receiving this notification because you are scheduled to take one or more pesticide exams between March 25th and June 10th. Please be advised that in response to the ongoing COVID 19 coronavirus emergency and consistent with Federal, New Jersey State and local government direction, the Department is taking every precaution to limit the possible spread of the virus. Based on current governmental guidelines and restrictions, next week's **MARCH 25, 2020** pesticide exams are **CANCELLED**. If you were scheduled to take an exam on March 25, 2020, please do NOT report to the Cumberland County site. Once the restrictions on gatherings and social distancing are lifted, you will be contacted with new available exam dates and locations which should also include Rutgers University's fee-based pesticide exam offerings.

Please also be aware that the Department continues to actively monitor the rapidly changing COVID 19 emergency situation and associated restrictions. As such, future pesticide exams may also need to be cancelled. All applicants scheduled for any **April, May or June exams** will be contacted directly through email once a required exam cancellation decision has been made by the Department. If you are scheduled for any pesticide exams that are ultimately cancelled, please do NOT report to the exam site. As restrictions on gatherings and social distancing are lifted, individuals will be contacted with new available exam dates and locations. You will NOT receive a "No Show" fee for cancelled exams. In light of the current emergency situation restrictions, many Department staff will be out of the office for up to several weeks or longer. Therefore, please be patient but assured that we will return phone calls and emails as quickly as possible. However, critical information will be available on the Department's website at www.pcpnj.org. In summary:

- MARCH 25, 2020 pesticide exams are CANCELLED do NOT report to the Cumberland exam site.
- All other pesticide exams scheduled for April, May and June will be reassessed continuously.
- April, May and/or June pesticide exams may be cancelled individuals will be notified directly.
- Pesticide exam cancellations will be posted on the Department's website at www.pcpnj.org.
- Rutgers University should be offering pesticide exams shortly after the current restrictions are lifted.
- Department exam make-up dates will not be posted to the website until after previously scheduled applicants are contacted directly and rescheduled.
- "No Show" fees for cancelled exams are NOT required but failure to attend a rescheduled exam will result in this \$50.00 fee.

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