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ARTICLE ON ENVIRONMENTAL FATE OF FRAGRANCE MATERIALS IN SOIL PUBLISHED IN *ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY* AVAILABLE FOR REPRINT

Woodcliff Lake, N. J. (September 3, 2004)—Daniel T. Salvito, Ph.D., Manager, Environmental Programs for the Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc. (RIFM), had his article, “Dissipation of fragrance materials in sludge-amended soils,” published in the January 2004 issue of *Environmental Science and Technology* and reprints are now available through RIFM.

Co-authored with Angela DiFrancesco, Pei Chiu, and Herb Allen of the University of Delaware and Laurel Standley of Stroud Water Research Center, the article describes the research program RIFM sponsored to better understand the environmental fate of fragrance materials in soils that receive wastewater treatment plant sludge as fertilizer, a common agricultural practice. Removal of fragrance materials through volatilization, leaching, and biogeochemical transformation was studied. Reprints of the article can be requested from RIFM, by e-mailing rifm@rifm.org.

RIFM has established a comprehensive environmental research and testing program that includes ecotoxicological studies, the biotransformation of fragrance materials in wastewater treatment and their fate in the terrestrial environment. As part of this program, RIFM publishes a conservative screening level risk assessment model based on the established environmental risk assessment paradigms (i.e. the predicted environmental concentration: predicted no effect concentration quotient; the PEC/PNEC ratio).

Dr. Salvito is responsible for overseeing the planning, conduct and completion of the environmental research and testing program at RIFM. He has authored over 20 scientific publications and presentations.

RIFM, the international scientific authority for the safe use of fragrance materials, is the most comprehensive source worldwide for toxicology data, literature and information on the safety evaluation of fragrance materials. Through extensive research and testing and constant monitoring of all scientific literature available, RIFM maintains the RIFM Database of Fragrance and Flavor Materials, the largest repository of information on fragrance and flavor materials in the world. All of RIFM’s scientific findings are evaluated by an independent, scientific Expert Panel (REXPAN)—an international group of dermatologists, pathologists, toxicologists and environmental scientists. For more information visit the RIFM web site at www.rifm.org or e-mail rifm@rifm.org.

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