## **DATCP Continues Fee Holiday for Agricultural Chemical Cleanup Program Fund**

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MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) will continue to waive the fee for the Agricultural Chemical Cleanup Program (ACCP). This fee holiday for pesticide and fertilizer licensees, and farmers purchasing fertilizer, will extend through June 2024 for fertilizer sales and through the 2023-24 license year for other licensees.

The surcharge is based on the level of the ACCP fund on May 1 of each year, when DATCP is required to review the program funds. When the fund remains above \$1.5 million, DATCP can waive the fee. When the fund balance is at or below \$1.5 million, the surcharge fees are reactivated to restore the fund balance to the level necessary to operate the ACCP, which helps pay for the costs of cleaning up agrichemical spills. The fee holiday first took effect in 2018.

This will be the fifth year in a row that fertilizer dealers will omit the ACCP surcharge from their customers' bills. It is the sixth year that pesticide and fertilizer businesses, commercial pesticide applicators, and pesticide manufacturers will not have to pay a surcharge as part of their license fee.

For more information about the ACCP fund and surcharges, visit <a href="https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\_Services/ACCPFundSurcharges.aspx">https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\_Services/ACCPFundSurcharges.aspx</a>.

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