

BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

A Sweet—And Effective—Way To Combat Mosquitoes

(NAPSA)—Mosquitoes can be a big problem for small to medium-sized businesses.

That's the word from experts who say mosquitoes are more than a nuisance. With growing concerns about the spread of West Nile virus, Chikungunya and other diseases, they can present a serious health threat to employees and, in many cases, to customers as well.

Fortunately, there are techniques for combating mosquitoes that are designed with businesses in mind.

For example, a company that has been a leader in pest control for 85 years—Terminix—offers an exclusive solution with natural active ingredients. Called the Attractive Targeted Sugar Bait®, or ATSB®, it is not a barrier or repellent. Rather, it is a solution that puts an end to the mosquitoes that can take over outdoor spaces.

Once a month during mosquito season, a commercial service professionally strategically treats nonflowering vegetation and other places that mosquitoes frequent with an environmentally friendly solution containing sugar from fruit extracts and encapsulated garlic oil that are safe around people, pets and food. "A sugary syrup in the bait helps attract mosquitoes to feed and the garlic acts as a gut toxin," says Stanton Cope, Ph.D., Director, Entomology and Regulatory Services, Terminix International. The mosquitoes are attracted to the bait, eat it and then die—more than 90 percent in the three weeks following an application.

Plus, it's effective on a wide range of mosquito types, including hard-to-control urban species (e.g., Asian tiger mosquito). And with monthly treatments, mosquito problems at your business



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will be greatly reduced.

Although the ATSB service is designed to deliver maximum effectiveness, it's safe around people and pets. It won't harm the environment either because the active natural ingredient is garlic oil.

When a company is in need of immediate relief from mosquitoes, Terminix Commercial can also set up what's known as a knock-down treatment. Used in conjunction with the ATSB system, it can provide quick results while the bait-and-kill solution becomes established.

Knock-down treatments may be applied every 21 days during the mosquito season or 48 hours before an event.

In places where water doesn't drain properly or other areas where standing water conditions can't be avoided, larvicide applications are available that will prevent mosquito larvae from developing into breeding, biting adults. In some locations, Ultra-Low Volume (ULV) fogging, often applied to extensive areas such as neighborhoods and large commercial properties, is also available.

To learn more, visit www.terminix.com/Commercial.

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