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Message from the President

Folks,

My first order of business is to thank you all for your support and the confidence you have shown in me by allowing me to be your MSAPMS president. I would like to thank all our sponsors, vendors and attendees for coming to our meeting this past October. Your attendance of our annual meeting and support of our group allows for such meetings to take place. I hope to expand upon such support within our organization. To this end, I would like to encourage you to help us grow our membership.

The MSAPMS has had some changes over the years as to who our core membership has been. It has always been strong in research and government entities. One of my goals is to work to expand our membership in many areas. To do this I am asking for your help. My idea is that anyone that has aquatic responsibilities should be a part of the MSAPMS. Please reach out to folks that you know who work in fisheries, aquaculture, potable and wastewater management, extension service personnel and even homeowner groups; and encourage them to take part in our society. Having a diverse group of members will help not only our membership roles but our industry as a whole. Hopefully, as more people understand our mission within the aquatic field our industry will benefit.

The APMS regionally, nationally and internationally has taken educating the public as one of our goals. To do this, publications of educational information for everything from grade school to the general public have been produced and provided to groups as requested. I believe we now need to make a concerted effort to reach people to become members and get involved.

Any input you have that could help us grow not only our society but our industry will be much appreciated.

Harry Knight

President, MSAPMS 2010-2011







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2011 H₂O Pro[™] Aquatic Herbicide Performance Guarantee

QUALIFYING PARTICIPANT: Professional aquatic applicators with total purchases of Qualifying Products during the 2010 Program Period (October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010) of \$7,500 or greater OR total purchases of Qualifying Products during the 2011 Program Period of \$7,500 or greater.

QUALIFYING PRODUCTS: All Syngenta Products labeled for aquatic use and purchased from a Syngenta Authorized Distributor/Retailer/Agent, including but not limited to all package sizes of Reward® Landscape and Aquatic Herbicide and Refuge™ Herbicide.

TREAT WITH CONFIDENCE:

During the 2011 Program Period—October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011:

 Apply Qualifying Products at the maximum labeled rate for the treatment area and in accordance with the product label(s). Use Qualifying Products in combination with any approved tank-mix partner in accordance with the label. For your convenience, the tank-mix partners for Reward are listed below.

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. If the Qualifying Product does not perform as stated under the Guarantee Terms and Conditions below, Syngenta will share up to 50% of the total cost of the Syngenta Qualifying Product used for retreatment.

GUARANTEE TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- The Qualifying Product will control at least 70% of the treated, labeled weed(s) as compared to untreated areas with similar weed infestation, environment, weather, and other conditions.
- . Claims must be filed within thirty (30) calendar days of application so that the claim may be verified and evaluated.
- Any claims under the H₂O Pro "Aquatic Herbicide Performance Guarantee must be received by Syngenta on or before October 30, 2011. Go to
- www.syngentavm.com to file a claim. · Only licensed professional aquatic herbicide applicators
- may participate in the H₂O Pro Aquatic Herbicide Performance Guarantee Program.
- To qualify, Claim Form must be filled out in its entirety.
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- · Syngenta will not pay for the application or other costs of retreatment. The maximum benefit any individual claimant may receive for the 2011 Program Period is a \$50,000 contribution toward the cost of the retreatment.
- · Program benefit is for weed control only; Syngenta will not pay for any other service, product, loss, or damages.
- Surface application of floating weeds (including surface algae) and submersed weeds (excluding subsurface algae) on Reward label are covered by the 2011 H₂O Pro Aquatic Herbicide Guarantee.
 - -Minimum application rates for Reward are listed in the accompanying chart.
- For very dense submersed populations of weeds, it is recommended to use Reward in combination with a copper-based aquatic herbicide or an endothall product from the approved tank-mix partner list set forth herein.

PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE RATES FOR REWARD*

Weed species	Gallons per surface acre
Algae (Spirogyra spp. & Pithophora spp.)	2
Bladderwort (Utricularia spp.)	2
Coontail (Ceratophyllum demersum)	2
Duckweed (Lemna spp.)	1
Elodea (Elodea spp.)	2
Frog's Bit (Limnobium spongia)	.75
Hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata)	2
Naiad (Najas spp.)	2
Pennywort (Hydrocotyle spp.)	.75
Pondweeds (Potamogeton spp.)	2
Salvinia (Salvinia spp.)	.75
Waterhyacinth (Eichhornia crassipes)	.75
Waterlettuce (Pistia stratiotes)	.75
Watermilfoils (Myriophyllum spp.)	2

^{*}Always follow product label use directions. The Performance Guarantee is valid only when Reward is applied at the rates identified above

APPROVED TANK-MIX PARTNERS FOR REWARD**

I	Clearigate® copper-herbicide/algaecide	Nautique™ herbicide
ı	K-Tea™ algaecide	Captain" algaecide
ı	Komeen™ herbicide	Aquathol® herbicide
ı	Cutrine®-Plus herbicide/algaecide	Hydrothol® herbicide

^{**}Other tank-mix combinations must be approved by a Syngenta territory manager prior to use to retain eligibility for the H₂O Pro Aquatic Herbicide Performance Guarantee.

To learn more about the 2011 H₂O Pro Aquatic Herbicide Performance Guarantee, contact Melissa Barron at 407.257.8043 or melissa.barron@syngenta.com.

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Minutes of the MidSouth Aquatic Plant **Management Society Annual Business Meeting** October 13, 2010 Lake Guntersville State Park Guntersville, Alabama

The meeting was called to order by President Jason Carlee at 4:15 p.m.

Officer Reports

President's Report:

President Jason Carlee thanked all of the speakers for participating in the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Sherry Whitaker stated that minutes from the last annual business meeting are available at the registration desk if anyone is interested in looking at them.

The Secretary, Sherry Whitaker, noted that there were currently 22 sustaining members, 55 individual members and 8 honorary members for 2009-2010.

An e-mail will be sent out to all members who were unable to attend the annual meeting. Each will be reminded to pay their dues in order to continue receiving Society news.

This year's workshop and meeting agenda were sent to the following 10 states for consideration of CEU's: Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, Florida, Louisiana, North Carolina, Kentucky and South Carolina.

Treasurer's Report:

Judy Shearer was unable to attend. Secretary Sherry Whitaker stated that a breakdown of the Society finances is available at the desk if anyone is interested. Bob Van Arkel will give a breakdown of the findings of the audit in the Internal Audit Committee Report.

Editor's Report:

Ryan Wersal stated to the membership that if anyone is not receiving a copy of the newsletter via e-mail, please let him know.

Ryan also asked the membership to send him any old newsletters that anyone may have so that they can be placed on the website. It was noted that there are many new industry folks in attendance. Ryan has collected business cards and will be contacting all about sustaining membership and possible advertisements in the newsletter.

Troy Goldsby made a motion to accept the Officer Reports as presented, Linda Nelson seconded and voice vote made by all to accept.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee:

No report. (Covered in Secretary's report)

Program Committee, Site Selection:

No report.

Editorial Committee:

No report. (Covered in Editor's report)

Website Committee:

They are still looking for previous electronic or paper copies of meeting abstracts or newsletters to include in the archive section of the website.

All advertisements that are purchased for the newsletter will also be located on the MSAPMS webpage.

If anyone sees anything that needs to be changed or updated on the website, please let Ryan know and he will have it taken care of

Internal Audit:

The financial records of the Society were audited by Bob Van Arkel and Tom Warmuth.

Bob Van Arkel reported that a discrepancy had been found while auditing the books. A \$125.00 deposit had not been recorded. After discussing this with absentee treasurer, Judy Shearer, the change was made in the books and they were determined to then be in order.

Nominating Committee:

The following slate was presented to the membership:

President-Elect – Troy Goldsby Secretary – Sherry Whitaker Treasurer – Judy Shearer Editor – Ryan Wersal Director ('10-'12) - Craig Aguillard Director ('10-'12) – Gerald Adrian Director ('10-'11) – Cliff Young (replacing Troy Goldsby)

No nominations were made from the floor. Harry Knight made a motion to accept this slate of nominees, Ryan Wersal seconded, voice vote by all to accept.



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MSAPMS Board of Directors will hold their mid-winter board meeting at Mississippi State University, Geosystems Research Institute March 17, 2010.

Scholarship Committee:

John Madsen reported that there were no applicants for this year's scholarship. He encouraged all graduate students and major professors to make sure they and their students submit an application for the scholarship.

Review of Bylaws

No Revisions

Review of Operating Manual:

No Revisions

A motion was made by Tom Broadwell to accept the committee reports. Ken Rust seconded, voice vote by all to accept.

Old Business

None

New Business

None.

Jason thanked Harry for all of his planning and work on the meeting.

Linda Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Troy Goldsby seconded and the meeting was adjourned by voice vote at 4:25 p.m.



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29th Annual MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society Meeting Photos



2011 MSAPMS Board of Directors



Student Presenters



Old business



Carlton Layne receiving the President's Award



Jason Carlee recognized for his service as President



Until next time

MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management **Society Applicator Workshop**

John Madsen, Mississippi State University

The second annual MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society Aquatic Plant Management Applicator Workshop was held October 12, 2010, at Guntersville State Park, AL, prior to the annual meeting. Presentation topics and presenters included integrated pest management and biological control, chemical control, federal and state pesticide label restrictions, precision herbicide application guidelines, and identification and management of common southeastern aquatic weeds. Presenters included Dr. Michael Grodowitz, USAERDC; Dr. Chris Mudge, USAERDC; Mr. Carlton Layne, AERF and US EPA (retired); Dr. Wade Givens, Mississippi State University (now with Pioneer); and Dr. John D. Madsen, Mississippi State University.

Approximately 25 registered participants were in attendance; representing applicators, government agencies, and utilities. Continuing Education Credits were issued for a number of states in the southeast.

We look forward to possibly holding another workshop next year with the annual meeting.



Carlton Layne stressing the importance of reading labels



Wade Givens going over precision application technologies

Graduate Scholarship Update



I am currently a Master's Degree student in the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences under the direction of Dr. John Madsen. I was awarded

the 2009 MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Scholarship, and wanted to give the society an update of my progress. My thesis research objectives include: Assessing plant community dynamics on the Ross Barnett Reservoir after management of alligatorweed, waterhyacinth, and hydrilla, using point intercept surveys and remote sensing technologies; developing new herbicide recommendations for alligatorweed; and screening diseased alligatorweed tissue samples from the Ross Barnett Reservoir for potential new fungal pathogens that may be developed into biological control organisms.

To date, I have finished my field research and herbicide screenings on alligatorweed. I have been working on the first draft of my thesis and hope to defend later this spring or early summer. I want to take this opportunity to thank the MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society, members, and industry supporters for awarding a scholarship to support graduate research.

Michael Cox

MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society 30th Annual Conference

Happy New Year to everyone and I hope your 2011 has started with many blessings! I am extremely excited about planning the 30th MSAPMS Conference and I look forward to seeing all of you in October. In the initial phases of planning I am looking at 3 areas of Alabama where we can meet. The Lake Guntersville State Park is certainly a candidate and just so you will know I am leaning heavily in that direction because of all of the positive feedback we have had from the previous 2 meetings. However, I am investigating possible meeting sites in northwest Alabama near Wilson/Pickwick reservoirs and south Alabama near Mobile Bay. My primary focus in choosing a location is making sure that location accommodates

our meeting needs at a price that is reasonable and also that the location is a friendly driving distance for all who want to attend. As the president-elect, I will also be planning the sessions for the 30th conference. I want to make sure that topics of interest are represented during the meeting. So, if you have any ideas that have not been presented at previous meetings, that will fit the general theme of aquatic plant management, please let me know. I really appreciate the opportunity to serve the society in this capacity and I look forward to seeing all of you soon. If you need to reach me please email me at troyg@aquaservicesinc.com or call me at 256-572-4464.

Troy L. Goldsby

President-elect, MSAPMS 2010-2011









MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society 30th Annual Conference

First Call for Papers

Oral presentations will be 15 minutes, including questions. Presentations are encouraged on all aspects of aquatic and wetland plant management,

biology, and ecology. Presenters are requested to register for the conference.

Please e-mail the Title Form, attached below, and a brief abstract (250 words or less) by July 31, 2011:

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A computer and projector to handle Power Point presentations will be provided. No other presentation format will be supported. Please bring your presentation on a USB compatible flash or CD.

Title Form				
Title:				
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Address:				
Phone:	E-mail:			

PLEASE DO NOT DELAY. MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND, PRESENT, AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS CONFERENCE. INVITE THOSE YOU ASSOCIATE WITH TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT AS WELL!

Editorial Guidelines

The MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society

Font: Times New Roman, size 12

Title: Bold, upper case. Align Left. End with period.

Author: Name follows Title, sentence case. Underline name of presenting author. Separate authors with commas. End with semicolon.

Affiliation: Sentence case. Include author's affiliation, address with zip code, e-mail address. If needed, insert semicolon and follow with second author's information. If there are three or more authors, add superscripts for clarity (for example, John Smith¹). Justify.

Body of Abstract: Leave one blank line between title/author/affiliations and the body of the abstract. No indentation; one paragraph only. Justify.

Scientific Names: For plants, animals, and microbes, etc., use the WSSA approved common name followed by the genus and species names in italics, wherever possible (for example, diquat dibromide).

Scientific Units: Use of Metric or English units are acceptable. Use of standard abbreviations is acceptable.

See example below:

LITTORAL ZONE PLANT COMMUNITIES IN THE ROSS BARNETT RESERVOIR, MS.

Wersal, R.M¹, J.D. Madsen¹ and M.L. Tagert²; ¹GeoResouces Institute, Mississippi State University, Box 9652 Mississippi State, MS 39762-9652, rwersal@gri.msstate.edu. ² Mississippi Water Resources Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Box 9680 Mississippi State, MS 39762-9680

The Ross Barnett Reservoir is a 33,000 acre surface water impoundment created on the Pearl River near Jackson, Mississippi. The Reservoir is the primary source of potable water for the city of Jackson. It provides recreational opportunities in the form of fishing, boating, water sports, and onshore camping and hiking. In recent years, non-native aquatic macrophytes have increased in distribution, impeding navigation, fishing, and reduced the aesthetics of waterfront properties. We conducted a whole-lake survey in June 2005 to assess the distribution and abundance of plant communities in the Reservoir to serve as a starting point for a long term management plan. In October 2006 a survey of the littoral zone (water depths of ≤ 10 feet) was conducted based on the points sampled in 2005. A plant rake was deployed at each of 508 points visited. Species presence was mapped using handheld computers outfitted with GPS receivers, and data stored in database templates using Farm Site Mate software. A total of 21 aquatic or riparian plant species were observed growing in or along the shoreline of the littoral zone. American lotus and water primrose were the most common plant species observed in the littoral zone (17.7 % and 7.4% respectively). Non-native plants included alligatorweed (*Alternanthera philoxeroides*) (3.9%), waterhyacinth (Eichhornia crassipes) (2.9%), and hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata) (0.6%). Bladderwort (Utricularia vulgaris), a native submersed aquatic plant was also observed (0.4%) for the first time. Overall, species occurrence was lower during in 2006 than in 2005.

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2011 MidSouth Aquatic Plant **Management Society Scholarship Opportunity**

The MSAPMS is seeking applications for the 2013 graduate student scholarship to be awarded at the 32th annual meeting at a place to be determined. One scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to a qualified student applicant.

To apply, The Scholarship Committee should receive the following information on or before June 3, 2011:

- 1. A cover letter which includes the applicant's previous, current, and future relationship to the aquatic plant management industry, and a comment on the importance of their proposed research to aquatic plant management.
- 2. Copies of official transcripts of undergraduate and any graduate work completed to date (these transcripts may be those issued directly to the student by the institution);
- 3. A letter from the student's major professor recommending the student for the scholarship, indicating that the student is currently enrolled and in good standing and has had their research proposal approved by their graduate advisory committee;
- 4. A copy of the approved graduate research proposal; and
- 5. One letter of recommendation, other than the major professor.

To enter an application or request more information, contact:

Dr. John D. Madsen Mississippi State University Geosystems Research Institute Box 9652 Mississippi State, MS 39762-9652 Ph. 662-325-2428 E-mail. jmadsen@gri.msstate.edu





Aquatic Weed Short Course

Greetings!

Mark your calendar and plan to take part in the 2011 Aquatic Weed Short



Course to be held May 3-5, 2011 at the Coral Springs Marriott Hotel, Golf Club, and Convention Center in Coral Springs, FL.

The short course is designed to benefit those new to the industry and experienced professionals seeking a comprehensive update. Topics include:

- * General Standards (CORE) Training
- * Pesticide Application Equipment Calibration **Training**
- * Plant Identification
- * Aquatic Pest Control Category Training
- * Natural Areas Weed Management Training
- * Right-of-Way Weed Management Training

A representative from the Florida Pesticide Certification Office will be available at the short course to answer questions regarding CEUs and Florida licensing requirements.

Commercial, Public and/or Private Pesticide Applicator Certification testingwill be offered on Thursday, May 5th from 1:15 - 4:30pm. There is no charge for taking an exam. Please visit the conference website for more information on the available exams



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http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/aw/index.html

Be sure that your organization is budgeted to attend this valuable training.

Early Reduced Registration Fee (By February 25, 2011) \$240.00 **Regular Registration Fee** (By April 8, 2011) \$290.00 Late Registration Fee (After April 8, 2011) \$340.00 **Student Registration Fee** \$115.00

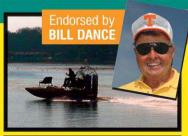
The registration fee, combined with funds contributed by our generous sponsors, provides each attendee with the educational program, course materials, a Book of Presentations, morning, mid-day and afternoon refreshments, and Tuesday evening's welcome reception. Up to 20 Florida Continuing Education Units (CEUs) may be earned by attending this course.

Please feel free to contact me personally should you have any questions about the 2011 Aquatic Weed Control Short Course.

Sincerely, Jhanna Gilbert, CMP Short Course Coordinator PO Box 110750 | Bldg. 639 Mowry Rd. Gainesville, FL 32611-0750 USA PH 352-392-5930 | FAX 352-392-9734 jhanna@ufl.edu



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CLA and RISE More Than Skeptical About EPA Cost Estimates for NPDES 11/11/10

Last week, EPA released a proposed information collection request (ICR) estimating that the upcoming NPDES pesticide permit program will take over a million hours and cost more than \$50 million a year to collect, report and evaluate information. While these numbers in EPA's estimate look large in aggregate and on the surface, CropLife and RISE think EPA has low-balled the real cost of NPDES permitting. The proposal serves as notice that EPA plans to submit the ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval and is seeking public input. It suggests that, annually, it will take the estimated 365,000 permittees and 45 permitting authorities about 987,904 hours and 45,809 hours, and cost \$50,109,969 and \$1,740,754, respectively, to implement and comply with the permit. The agency is "requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection."

Based on the comments received, EPA says it will revise the ICR as appropriate and submit a final ICR package to OMB for approval; stakeholders will also be able to submit additional comments to OMB. These estimates will be revised based on the final permit, which EPA expects to release in early 2011. The pesticide industry and user community strongly believe that the proposed ICR significantly underestimates the time and cost of implementation and compliance with the permit, and will be submitting comments to EPA suggesting a more realistic view of the actual regulatory burden.

MSAPMS Student Award Winner Begins Professional Career in Aquatics SePRO Corporation

01/12/2011

The mission of the Aquatic Plant Management Society and its regional chapters includes many focused research, educational and outreach activities to improve the understanding and management of aquatic

vegetation. One of the Society's core purposes is to provide opportunities for the advancement of its student members. Mr. West Bishop, Clemson University, has been an active student participant in the APMS and many regional chapters in recent years, providing the exchange of information in the areas of aquatic toxicology and quality algal management with his presentations, posters and published articles.

Following completion of his Master of Science degree with Dr. John Rodgers, Jr., Mr. Bishop elected to start his professional career and stay focused in aquatics and specifically algae research and management. SePRO Corporation recently welcomed West as Algae and Aquatic Research Scientist. Mr. Bishop will be stationed at SePRO's Research and Technology Campus in Whitakers, NC where he will be developing SePRO's full-line of existing aquatic algaecides and pipeline of new technology. Professional applicators and water resource managers will benefit from Mr. Bishop's innovative ideas for algae and aquatic resource management through his technical support and contributions in research.

On a personal note, West and Marguerite Bishop were recently married and have relocated to the Whitakers. North Carolina area.

SePRO Corporation selected by BASF **Professional Vegetation Management to market** Clearcast®, Clearcast® 2.7G, Habitat® and Oasis® herbicides SePRO Corporation 01/07/2011

In 2010, SePRO was selected by BASF to be the exclusive marketer of these herbicides for the U.S. aquatic market. In addition, SePRO and BASF have entered into a development agreement and will work together to bring additional new and innovative aquatic products to this market in the future.

Clearcast, which contains the active ingredient imazamox, is a liquid aquatic herbicide used to control floating, emerged and riparian weed species while allowing desirable plants to colonize.

Clearcast 2.7G, which also contains imazamox, is the new granular formulation of the herbicide providing a solution for immediate delivery of

Clearcast to target plant zone and in spot or partial lake treatment scenarios with higher dilution potential. These Clearcast formulations are providing new control solutions for aquatic weed species such as curlyleaf pondweed, *Hydrilla*, frogbit, and selective control of riparian species such as cattails, *Phragmites*, and Chinese tallow tree.

Habitat, which contains the active ingredient imazypyr, is a liquid herbicide that provides control of a broad-spectrum of weeds in and around standing and flowing water; including estuarine and marine sites. Habitat provides

excellent control of weed species, such as Arundo, cattails, Phragmites, wetland hardwood brush and alligatorweed.

Oasis, which contains the active ingredient topramezone, is a HPPD (enzyme) inhibiting herbicide (similar mode of action to Sonar, bleaching) currently being evaluated under a United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Experimental Use Permit. Oasis field development will continue in 2011 and updates on performance, and EPA Section 3 registration status will be provided in the future.















Powders

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Calendar of Events

Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference

Jan 18-20, 2011 New Castle, NH www.neapms.net

Weed Science Society of America Annual Meeting

Feb 7-10, 2011 Portland, OR www.wssa.net/Meetings/WSSAAnnual/Info.htm

Midwest Aquatic Plant Management Society Annual Conference

Feb 27 - Mar 2, 2011 Grand Rapids, MI www.mapms.org

Western Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference

Mar 28-30, 2011 Denver, CO www.wapms.org

Aquatic Weed Control Short Course

May 3-5, 2011 Coral Springs, FL http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/aw/index.html

Aquatic Plant Management Society 50th Annual Meeting

July 24-27, 2011 Baltimore, MA www.apms.org



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