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Warmest Greetings to You

******Q & AA Fave** Smart Money Pal of mine tells me he always stores his 'Dry' Pesticide Inventory in his un-insulated Pole Building over the Winter, where it gets very cold, and has never noticed any ill-effects.... I agree there are several modern WPs and DFs and WDGs and SGs - Etc -- that can take the Colder Temps and remain viable. But I don't know for sure which ones can and which ones cannot...??

The Captan 80WDG Label says "Store in a Cool Dry Place" ...and does not warn against Freezing. Imidan says the same thing.....quite vague.

To avoid any issues with product degradation, I really like that 48°F - 68°F range. I just don't know which ones can take that 24°F

******Yesterday** I sent out a "MSU Amys Report Number 2 - Apple Maturity" to a short list of Apple Guys.... It was a "Forward" of Amys original Send.

My apologies to those of you that already had Amys original.

******Stop-Drop-Efforts**Emergency...??? **Refine 3.5WSG** has a 2 Da.PHI and **Retain** has a 7 Da.PHI. Use **12 oz-Ac.Refine** and **6-8 oz.-Ac.Retain**

******Blush 2X PGR** Alicandro is saying this Blush is particularly effective on JonaGolds, IdaReds, Fuji and Braeburn ...for Improving Red Color. He likes the Appln to be 28-35 Days prior to Harvest. Use 26 oz-Ac. Blush 2X.... Or, If you have any original Blush left to use, Use 52 oz-Ac. Go in Slow-Drying -- Use 1 pint-100ga.InSpray-90. Don't use so much water that you drip the tree...as those drippings do no good.

******AzaGuard---for BMSBs** ...Yup... The Manufacturer "BioSafe Systems" has some decent Data showing you can control Stink-Bug-Nymphs.... with 12-16 ozCosts About \$3-per-oz....

4 hr.REI... Zero [-0-] Da.PHI... 22 oz.Labeled Rate. This stuff Labeled on over 300 Insect SpeciesCould be a Real-Deal for my Organic Production Pals...?? **OMRI-Listed**Compare this to what you are spending on AzaDirect and some others with this same A.I....?? This BioSafe Product **AzaGuard** has Two & 1/2 times this same A.I. as those other Guys...???

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The Big Question for right now ...at your farm....Have we missed the Window for those BMSB-Nymphs...??

But over-all...for future reference.... All of my Organic-Production-Pals really need to look at this stuff very seriously 2.5 times the A.I. of the Competitive-Same-A.I.Products Astounding.

*****Clarification** About that MSU-MDA-RUP-Test-Day Eventin February at Fricanos.... The only Growers that need to bring any money at all to pay for any part of this Event are those that are Taking the Test. You need to pay MDA with a check written to *State of Michigan*. I do not yet know the amount of that Fee....and I think it varies as to which Test you are taking...???

Details to Follow

All the Best to Ya'sr

