### TERMITETECHNOLOGY

# Cycle Time Savings is Just One Reason Builders are Switching to This Innovative Termite Technology

uilders across the country are switching their termite new construction treatments to Bora-Care® Commercial, a termiticide that is applied to steel, concrete, wood and other building materials instead of pumping chemicals into the ground. As both a time- and money-

saver, Bora-Care Commercial offers significant advantages to builders over old-style soil termiticides. A full day of cycle time savings is the primary factor driving this move, as well as the current trend toward green building practices.

Bora-Care Commercial is applied to the first two feet of the structure up from the foundation. Because it is applied during the dried-in phase of construction, it eliminates the delays associated with soil termiticides.

This means no more waiting for the pest company to treat before you can pour the slab.

Bora-Care Commercial vs. Old Fashioned Methods
Environmental issues are critical to architects and general
contractors, making Bora-Care Commercial appealing to
concerned builders. Traditional soil treatments pump 2,000
gallons of diluted termiticide under and around a 10,000 sq.
ft. structure. Bora-Care Commercial conserves water; it
only uses 20 gallons for the same structure. And because it
is applied directly to steel, wood, concrete, and foundation
penetrations, there is virtually no danger of chemical
run-off. Furthermore, Bora-Care Commercial's active ingredient
is a natural borate mineral salt with a low mammalian
toxicity, yet it is still deadly to insect pests. And Bora-Care
Commercial emits no VOCs ("Volatile Organic Compounds").

Bora-Care has shown no compatibility issues with any type of piping systems. In addition, Bora-Care will not corrode metal fasteners, fittings or nails. **Many soil termiticides** can cause damage to some piping systems, resulting in expensive post-construction repairs.

Soil termiticides break down quickly and can leave gaps. The soil termiticide barrier can easily be broken during excavation and landscaping. Bora-Care Commercial creates a continuous barrier directly on the structure, not in the surrounding soil.

#### A True Pretreatment—

#### Not Just a Monitoring System

Baiting systems also pose problems, and termites can easily bypass them altogether. More importantly, if the property managers don't want to pay the annual fees, the stations are removed and the structure is left without any termite protection.

#### What is Bora-Care Commercial?

Bora-Care Commercial is an EPA-registered termiticide manufactured by Nisus Corporation. It is the only borate-based termiticide allowed as a primary two-foot termite barrier termite pretreatment with its own *product-specific* field efficacy

testing. Pest control companies apply it directly to the steel, wood and concrete on walls, subfloors, sill plates, piers and expansion joints, and around pipe chases and plumbing protrusions. This creates a continuous barrier that termites cannot build mud tubes across.

Bora-Care Commercial offers the stability and reliability that architects and general contractors find missing in soil termite treatments. A study conducted in Mississippi showed that

soil termiticides can break down by 50% or more in just one year (Mulrooney et al, 2006). But with a single application done according to label directions, Bora-Care Commercial protects the entire structure.

#### Builders Save Time and Money

Bora-Care Commercial new construction treatments give general contractors more schedule flexibility and control. They simply remove many of the common scheduling and performance problems associated with old-style soil poisons.

Bora-Care Commercial saves builders a day of cycle time. Crews don't have to evacuate the site during application, and treatment is not weather-dependant, allowing your project to move forward regardless of conditions. Because Bora-Care Commercial is applied during the dried-in phase of construction, there is no need to coordinate pest control companies and cement companies.

#### Proven Results

An independent 12-year study in Mississippi by the USDA and a second independent 5-year study in Florida by Mississippi State University's Forest Products Department demonstrated that wood treated with Bora-Care repelled termite attacks and prevented subterranean termites from tubing over treated wood. Additional tests by Louisiana State University showed that Bora-Care applied to concrete surfaces prevents Formosan termite tubing.

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## **10 SMART REASONS WHY**

# BORA-CARE COMMERCIAL IS *THE*COMMERCIAL TERMITE CONTROL CHOICE

THE ONLY BORATE-BASED PRODUCT ALLOWED AS A PRIMARY TERMITE PRETREATMENT IN NEW COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION • IT'S THE PERFECT SOLUTION FOR TERMITES









- There is no need to wait for a soil treatment before pouring the concrete footers or slab. Bora-Care Commercial is applied during the dried-in phase of construction.
- Bora-Care Commercial treatments eliminate the need to pump termiticides into the ground. There is little risk of contamination of soil, rivers, lakes or aquifers when applied according to label instructions,
- Builders using Bora-Care have eliminated more than 120 million gallons of diluted termiticide from being applied to the soil across the U.S.
- The active ingredient in Bora-Care Commercial is a borate mineral salt.
- Because Bora-Care Commercial will not break down over time like synthetic chemicals, it remains on the structure, providing sustainable residual protection.
- Bora-Care Commercial saves water. Soil termiticides require large amounts of water for dilution. Using Bora-Care Commercial can save 2,000 gallons of water on a 10,000 sq. ft. project.
- Insects cannot process boron the same way as most animals. As a result, boron accumulates in their systems and blocks their ability to convert food sugars into energy, leading to starvation. This unique quality makes borates the perfect solution for targeting termites.
- Bora-Care Commercial treatments provide protection from subterranean termites by eliminating their ability to build mud tubes across treated surfaces, thus protecting the entire structure.
- Bora-Care Commercial emits no VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds).
- Unlike what they must do during soil treatments, your crews do not have to evacuate the job site during Bora-Care Commercial treatments.



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