WE KNOW CODES

Bora-Care® meets building standards.

A major challenge for builders is making sure the products they use comply with building codes and other standards. Bora-Care keeps builders compliant with the International Residential Code by meeting the standards for protection from subterranean termites and fungal decay.

Bora-Care is a borate-based termiticide insecticide and fungicide applied by pest management companies directly to structural wood, concrete and foundation penetrations during new construction. This creates a continuous treated area that inhibits subterranean termite tubing and kills termites if they consume the treated wood. Bora-Care’s active ingredient penetrates into wood and remains there, providing years of residual protection. This unique penetrating action also protects wood where pressure treatment cannot reach, defending areas like sill plate cross-cuts, end-cuts and other modifications that expose areas of wood not protected by pressure treatment.

USE AS A BORATE-BASED TERMITICIDE PRETREATMENT

- **EPA registration:** Bora-Care is the only borate-based termiticide registered by EPA as a primary two-foot subterranean termite barrier new construction treatment with years of proven product-specific, original efficacy data and a 30 year warranty for the pest company.

- **HUD termite requirements:** Bora-Care is allowed by HUD as a subterranean termite treatment. Just check the entry box for wood treatment already on the form (Form 99-A).

- **Complies with the International Residential Code (IRC):**
  - Section R318, Protection Against Subterranean Termites
  - Field-applied wood treatments such as Bora-Care for new construction are allowed.

END-CUT REQUIREMENTS ON PRESSURE-TREATED WOOD

- **IRC & the American Wood Protection Association (AWPA):**
  - IRC, Section R317.1.1 Field Treatment of End Cuts
  - The American Wood Protection Association Standard M4: A preservative must be applied to any end cut on pressure treated wood to prevent decay and infestation.
  - Because of its thorough penetrating action and residual power, a Bora-Care application meets the IRC and AWPA requirements for end-cut treatments on pressure-treated wood.

GREEN BUILDING POINTS

- **U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED):** Using Bora-Care can qualify builders for LEED points under Sustainable Sites: “Non-Toxic Pest Control” where wood framing is treated with a borate product (many other green building programs offer similar point systems).