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## NPMA Announces Bed Bug Symposium & Marketplace

*NPMA partners with other associations for two August meetings*

**July 6, 2009** (Fairfax, Va.) – The National Pest Management Association (NPMA) along with the American Hotel & Lodging Association, the Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials, and the National Apartment Association are pleased to announce they are partnering to present a Bed Bug Symposium & Marketplace. The meeting will be held in two locations, Newark, New Jersey on August 25, 2009, and Seattle, Washington on August 27, 2009.

Bed bug infestations are on the rise and increasingly showing up in hotels, apartments, dormitories, shelters, homes, public transportation – and virtually any concentrated public area. The Bed bug Symposium & Marketplace is designed to raise awareness and inform existing and potential commercial pest management customers how to deal with the difficult issue of bed bugs.

From identifying bed bugs and inspection techniques to public affairs and legal ramifications, the Bed Bug Symposium & Marketplace will provide management tips, both preventative and corrective, to help attendees make informed decisions and stay out of the newspaper and the courtroom. The Marketplace is an added feature to give attendees the opportunity to learn more about products and services available to prevent and beat a bed bug infestation.

Who should attend? Hoteliers, public health and public housing employees, property managers and owners, college dormitory supervisors, cruise ship administrators, furniture rental facilities, hospital administrators, and anyone working with housing the general public.

For more information about the Bed Bug Symposium & Marketplace, visit [www.nmapestworld.org/events](http://www.nmapestworld.org/events). If you are interested in participating in the Marketplace as a vendor, please contact Dominique Stumpf at [dstumpf@pestworld.org](mailto:dstumpf@pestworld.org) or 703.352.6762.

The NPMA, a non-profit organization with more than 6,000 members, was established in 1933 to support the pest management industry's commitment to the protection of public health, food and property, reflected both in the continuing education of the pest control professional and the dissemination of timely information to homeowners and businesses. For more information, contact Julie Jordan at [jjordan@pestworld.org](mailto:jjordan@pestworld.org) or 703-352-6762 or visit our professional and member Web site at [www.nmapestworld.org](http://www.nmapestworld.org).

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