Methyl bromide - Ten not frequently asked questions

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Abstract
A brief look at the current status of knowledge regarding methyl bromide and the environment impact, viewed against its use under Montreal Protocol (MP) rulings and its regulation, with broader discussion covering Montreal Protocol background and structure as it relates to the developed and developing nations. The presentation investigates ten not very commonly asked questions dealing with regulated and non-regulated uses and their respective implementation time frames. A contextual review of the international and national trade, biosecurity, environmental, food security and public health risks associated with premature transition to unproven or ineffective alternatives to methyl bromide are also discussed. The presentation is also related to the future of methyl bromide under the ruling and local regulation of countries using for QPS (quarantine and pre-shipment) and CUE (Critical Use Exemption) as well as Emergency Use of methyl bromide.

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