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- 5. The Frequency of Inspection of Rodent Traps Inside Buildings used for production, testing, and/or storage of items listed above and rodent traps used outside such buildings should not exceed one month.
- 6. The Frequency of Inspection, Emptying and Cleaning of Bug Lights should not exceed one month. Inspection frequencies should be increased whenever conditions, such as seasonal increases in insect population, warrant it. Bug light bulbs should be changed annually and positioned to avoid attracting outdoor insects toward the building.
- 7. Where Installed, Air Curtains should be tested for proper performance upon installation. Periodically, at least monthly, air curtains should be inspected to confirm they are operating properly. One example of verifying proper operation is the paper test (open the door, stand outside, toss paper and it should come back to you).
- 8. Material Safety Data Sheets for each pest control chemical used should be maintained and available at the Site for reference.
- 9. Periodic Inspections should be conducted at least annually by qualified pest control experts to determine the effectiveness of pest control practices and integrity of buildings at each Site.
- 10. Pest Control Contractor Agreements should require:
 - Written evidence of the qualifications of the contractor firm and each contractor employee;
 - Schedules of treatments, inspections, and other services;
 - Commitment to provide samples of pest control chemicals used at the Site, when requested for analytical testing; and
 - Commitment to provide written procedures for approval by the Site
 Quality Team that describe the operating and reporting practices to be
 followed by contractor employees, including those for spill cleanup and
 other emergencies.
- 11. Building Openings should be screened and doorframes, window frames, and openings for utility services sealed to prevent the ingress of insects or other pests. Air handler intakes and exhausts should be designed to prevent entry of insects.
- 12. Steel Panel Buildings should be sealed at the footings, and all other seams inspected and sealed as necessary to minimize the vulnerability of typical steel panel construction to the entry of wall climbing insects and other pests.
- 13. Direct-Access Exterior Doors should be prohibited from production areas where APIs, drug products, or medical devices may be exposed, or designated for emergency use only.