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PANTRY PESTS MAY BE AMONG UNWELCOME HOLIDAY GUESTS

Pestech advises homeowners how to stay bug-free during winter celebrations

Liberty, N.Y. – Dec. 16, 2011 – Winter time is most often synonymous with the holidays, and this means plenty of decorating, party guests and of course, baking your favorite treats. This season, Pestech, the Tri-State area’s leader in insect control and pest management, offers helpful tips to keep your holidays pest-free.

Insects known as “pantry pests” often make their way indoors as temperatures drop; they gather around dry foods such as cereals, flour, rice, pet food, and even spices, and lay their eggs there—often more than 100 per day. Among the most common offenders are Indian Meal Moths, Merchant Grain Beetles and Flour Beetles.

“The holidays are such a busy time, and a time when pest infestation is the last thing on homeowners’ minds,” explained Pestech CEO, Bruce Davidson. “Nothing will ruin the festivities quite like discovering unwelcome visitors in your ingredients. Hudson Valley residents can make sure their homes stay free of pests by following a few simple guidelines.”

Davidson suggests a few helpful tips for homeowners to avoid pests this holiday season:

- Place all exposed or opened foods in airtight containers.
- Thoroughly clean old containers before filling them with fresh food.
- Check all seals on products brought home from the store; many infestations begin in grocery stores or warehouses with open containers.
- Clean up all spills and crumbs promptly, especially dry foods, such as sugar or flour; pests can survive several weeks on even small amounts of nourishment.
- Do not stock your pantry with foods that will not be used within two to four months; this allows too much time for insects to invade, lay eggs and spread before it is too late.

If you do suspect an infestation of pantry pests of any kind, contact our experienced and licensed Pestechologists™ right away; we will provide you with fast and effective solutions to get your holidays back on track. For more information visit www.pestech.com or call us at 1-800-287-BUGS.

About Pestech

Pestech, headquartered in Liberty, N.Y., is a leader in insect control and pest management in the Tri-State area. Family owned and operated since 1989, Pestech has a knowledgeable and well-trained service staff and is committed to providing the most reliable pest control and management service in the industry. For additional information, visit www.pestech.com.

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