

Fellow AAPSE members:

I'm a new AAPSE member and Chairperson of the Application Systems Committee at American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) (Committee MS-23/6). Our groups have many mutual interests; I've volunteered to be a liaison between both groups in hopes of strengthening interaction and awareness between all of us.

Most of you may be aware of ASABE S572.2, Spray Nozzle Classification by Droplet Spectra, as most pesticide labels reference it. Did you know this is only 1 of nearly 70 national and international standards we maintain? Did you know we have a BMP for spraying with horizontal boom sprayers? ASABE MS-23/6, as the ANSI designated entity, maintains most of the national standards that apply to pesticide application technology, and represents the USA at the International standards organization (ISO). Standards we maintain include best management practices, inspection of sprayers in use standards, manufacturing standards, testing standards.... There is a lot of good stuff here.

To have great standards, 2 things are needed:

1. There needs to be broad awareness of the standards so that they are used and referred to.
2. The right folks need to be at the table when they are written and reviewed (that could include you!).

When you have a minute or two, please feel free to review the attached liaison report that includes a list of all the standards. Not included are two new work items, "closed transfer systems" and UAV application systems".

If you have interest in any of the included material, feel free to reach out to me. You can also explore ASABE at [www.ASABE.org](http://www.ASABE.org). New organizations can be daunting; I will be happy to schedule some time and walk you into it together. Thank you for the opportunity to serve, and to be a part of this group!

Kind regards,

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