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## Ace Addresses Product-Related Honey Bee Health Concerns

Ace to move away from sale of neonicotinoids as improved products become available

Ace Hardware Corporation is willing to move away from the sale of products containing neonicotinoids by spring of 2019, as new and appropriate replacement products are offered by its suppliers.

It's important to note that Ace Hardware Corporation is a cooperative consisting of independently owned and operated retail stores, and each store determines what products it will carry.

In addition, because Ace stores care about the concerns of their customers, consumer-facing educational materials on the topic will be made available for use in stores beginning this year.

"At Ace, we're committed to providing our customers with products that not only meet their needs, but that are also in compliance with applicable laws and regulations from environmental agencies and regulators," said Frank Carroll, Vice President of Merchandising, Ace Hardware Corporation. "Ace Hardware will be diligent in working with our vendors to take appropriate action to protect pollinators," Carroll said.

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