Registration of Products Containing Organophosphates

The purpose of this regulatory note is to clarify the approach of the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) to the registration of products that contain organophosphates and are currently under re-evaluation.

While the PMRA is engaged in re-evaluating organophosphate pesticides, no applications will be accepted for new products or new uses of products, including minor uses, that contain organophosphates. Submissions will be closed for new products or new uses of products containing organophosphates that are already with the Agency for review.

The future acceptability of new products or new uses of products containing organophosphates will depend on the outcome of the re-evaluation process.

The re-evaluation requires the Agency to re-assess the acceptability of risks to both health and the environment from all current uses of organophosphates. Therefore the use profile must remain static and no expansion of use is possible for the duration of the re-evaluation.

The PMRA's re-evaluation program uses a modern scientific approach to examine older active ingredients and their end-use products to ensure the ongoing protection of both human health and the environment.

For more information on the re-evaluation of organophosphate pesticides, please refer to the *Re-evaluation of Organophosphate Pesticides* Document (REV99-01) released by the PMRA on June 29, 1999.

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