



Re-evaluation Note

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Endosulfan

The purpose of this document is to notify registrants, pesticide regulatory officials and the Canadian public that the United States (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recently announced a risk-management plan for the insecticide endosulfan. The plan includes cancellation of certain uses, as well as measures to mitigate worker and environmental risks for the remaining uses of endosulfan. The following agricultural uses will be cancelled and tolerances revoked: succulent beans, succulent peas, spinach and grapes. A 60-day comment period from the date of publication of the EPA's Reregistration Eligibility Decision (available on the EPA website) will allow concerned parties to provide input on worker and ecological risk mitigation.

The manufacturers of the technical product for Canada, Bayer and Makhteshim, who are involved in the U.S. risk-management plan, have indicated that they would be willing to take the same kind of action in Canada after consultation with Canadian stakeholders. This action would impact on all endosulfan end-use products.

A re-evaluation of products containing endosulfan is being undertaken by the Pest Management Regulatory Agency for the purpose of determining whether the risk-management measures taken in the U.S. would provide adequate safeguards regarding the use of those products under Canadian conditions.

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