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NEW JOINT REVIEW FUNGICIDE AVAILABLE TO FIGHT LATE BLIGHT ON POTATOES

The PMRA has issued temporary registrations for Zoxamide, a fungicide developed by Rohm and Haas Canada Inc. and the associated end-use products, Zoxium[®] 80W Fungicide (containing Zoxamide only) and Gavel[®] Fungicide 75 DF (containing Zosamide and the currently-registered fungicide Mancozeb). These products are used to control downy mildew on grapes and late blight on potatoes.

These products were reviewed jointly as reduced risk (grapes) and non-reduced risk (potatoes) within the North American Free Trade Agreement's Technical Working Group on Pesticides (NAFTA TWG) Joint Review Program by the PMRA and the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Rohm and Haas Canada Inc. will be carrying out additional studies as well as a stewardship program as a condition of this temporary registration. Following the review of this information, the PMRA will publish a proposed registration decision document and request comments from interested parties before a final regulatory decision is made.

Details on the temporary registration of Zoxamide and its products can be found in Regulatory Note REG2001-09 available on the PMRA website at:

<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/pmra-arla/english/pdf/reg/reg2001-09-e.pdf>.

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