Re-evaluation Decision Document

RRD2004-10

Re-evaluation of Fenthion

The purpose of this Re-evaluation Decision Document (RRD) is to notify registrants, pesticide regulatory officials and the Canadian public that the re-evaluation of fenthion is now complete.

The registrant of technical fenthion has voluntarily discontinued all products and uses for this active ingredient.

This RRD presents the regulatory outcome resulting from the re-evaluation of fenthion.

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1.0 Introduction

The re-evaluation of the active ingredient fenthion, an insecticide produced by Bayer Inc., and its associated uses on beef cattle and non-lactating dairy cattle, has been completed by the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).

2.0 Background

In June 1999, the PMRA announced that organophosphate active ingredients, including fenthion, were subject to re-evaluation under authority of Section 19 of the Pest Control Products Regulations. The purpose of this RRD is to notify registrants, pesticide regulatory officials and the Canadian public that the re-evaluation of fenthion is now complete.

On 31 March 2003, the PMRA published a Proposed Acceptability for Continuing Registration document (PACR2003-05), *Re-evaluation of Fenthion*, for consultation on the proposed regulatory decision for fenthion. The PMRA did not receive any comments regarding PACR2003-05.

In response to the publication of PACR2003-05, the registrant and manufacturer of technical fenthion, Bayer Inc., indicated that it would no longer support the continued registration of the technical and end-use products containing fenthion in Canada. In the United States, uses of fenthion on cattle have also been discontinued by the registrant.

3.0 Regulatory decision

The conditions of continued registration were outlined in PACR2003-05. As a result, Bayer Inc. has agreed to discontinue all fenthion products:

Tiguvon Technical Insecticide, Registration No. 24631 Spotton Cattle Insecticide, Registration No. 13250 Lysoff Pour-on for Lice, Registration No. 15360 Tiguvon Pour-on Cattle Insecticide, Registration No. 24129

Last date of sale by registrant: 31 December 2004 Last date for use of fenthion products: 31 December 2006

The registration of fenthion products will expire on 31 December 2006. Disposal of any product remaining after this expiry date will be at the expense of the product's owner (i.e., registrant, distributor, retailer and/or user).

The decision and actions outlined in this document conclude the re-evaluation of fenthion in Canada.

Re-evaluation Document REV99-01, Re-evaluation of Organophosphate Pesticides