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## Pest Management Regulatory Agency *Information Note*

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### **A Glyphosate Product Registered in the United States Has Been Accepted into the Own Use Importation (OUI) Program**

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The OUI Program was implemented in 1993 after consultation with the Canadian pesticide industry, consumer groups as well as public health and medical associations. The Program will help Canadian farmers gain access to lower priced American products.

Under the OUI Program, a registered product in the United States can be imported for personal use and is exempt from registration in Canada under the *Pest Control Products Act* (PCPA) if two important conditions are met:

- The product must be chemically equivalent to a Canadian registered product
- The product must have an approved label that is equivalent to a Canadian registered product

ClearOut 41 Plus, a product registered in the United States, has met the requirements for acceptance into importation under the OUI program. ClearOut 41 Plus is equivalent to a Canadian registered glyphosate product, which underwent a rigorous evaluation of its health and environmental safety.

Chemical equivalency between these products allowed the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) to determine that there is no increased risk to health or the environment from the importation and use of ClearOut 41 Plus in Canada.

Health Canada's PMRA is responsible for ensuring that pesticides used in Canada do not pose an unacceptable risk to humans or the environment. Only those products that are determined safe for use when used according to the label directions are granted registration and permitted for sale in Canada.

Interested pesticide users may now apply to import a declared quantity of ClearOut 41 Plus for their own use during the 2005 use season. The product is not for resale or distribution in Canada, and the intended use of ClearOut 41 Plus must be specified by the user.



## **Need More Information?**

The following links to the PMRA's website provide further information on the topics discussed in this issue note:

### ***Importation of Pest Control Products***

[www.pmra.ca/english/appregis/impescont-e.html](http://www.pmra.ca/english/appregis/impescont-e.html)

### ***Fact Sheet on The Regulation of Pesticides in Canada***

[www.pmra-arla.gc.ca/english/pdf/fact/fs\\_pestreg-e.pdf](http://www.pmra-arla.gc.ca/english/pdf/fact/fs_pestreg-e.pdf)

### ***A Decision Framework for Risk Assessment and Risk Management in the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (SPN2000-01)***

[www.pmra-arla.gc.ca/english/pdf/spn/spn2000-01-e.pdf](http://www.pmra-arla.gc.ca/english/pdf/spn/spn2000-01-e.pdf)

