



Re-evaluation Note

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Pest Control Products under Re-evaluation

Discontinuation of Non-agricultural Products Registered under the *Pest Control Products Act*

Regulatory Directive DIR2001-03, *PMRA Re-evaluation Program*, indicated that the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) intended to review the continued acceptability of 405 active ingredients and their associated end-use products under Section 19 of the Pest Control Products (PCP) Regulations.

Since the initiation of the re-evaluation program, the registrations of a number of active ingredients and their associated end-use products have been discontinued by registrants. In such cases, the PMRA does not schedule the pesticide for further review and a phase-out schedule is established that includes dates of last use for existing product.

The purpose of this document is to inform interested parties of active ingredients that have been discontinued since initiation of the re-evaluation program.

This announcement completes our re-evaluation of four active ingredients.

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1.0 Purpose

Regulatory Directive DIR2001-03, *PMRA Re-evaluation Program*, indicated that the PMRA intended to review the continued acceptability of 405 active ingredients and their associated end-use products under Section 19 of the PCP Regulations.

The purpose of this document is to inform interested parties of active ingredients that have been discontinued since initiation of this re-evaluation program.

2.0 General background on re-evaluation

The PMRA is re-evaluating, under Section 19 of the Regulations pursuant to the *Pest Control Products Act* (PCPA), all pesticides, both active ingredients and formulated end-use products that were registered prior to 1995 to ensure that their continued acceptability is examined using current scientific approaches. Regulatory Directive DIR2001-03, *PMRA Re-evaluation Program*, presents the details of the re-evaluation activities.

Since many of these products were first registered, the variety and quality of data that are used to assess the risks to human health and the environment have increased substantially, along with sophistication of the risk assessments. Many members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, including the United States, the European Union and Australia, have similar ongoing re-evaluation programs with comparable standards that are applied to older pesticides.

As a result of re-evaluation, new or updated studies are often required to support continuing registration within modern standards. These studies can be expensive, and this may factor into a registrant's decision to discontinue sales of their products in Canada. In such cases, the PMRA does not continue to re-evaluate the product, and the registrations of their technical active ingredient and any end-use products formulated with that active ingredient are discontinued. Canadian use is phased out by establishing the last date of use by consumers (i.e., the expiry date) for any existing products, taking into account the quantity of existing stock and any available information from risk assessments.

It is noted that some of these chemicals may be used for purposes other than pest control, which are not regulated under the PCPA. Discontinuation of these substances as pest control products has no bearing on their continued use for other purposes.

3.0 Discontinued pesticides

Table 1 lists active ingredients that have been discontinued by the registrants and the associated end-use products for each active. The listed products may continue to be used following label directions until the indicated expiry date. Use after the expiry date would be a contravention of the PCPA and could result in enforcement action.

Table 1 Discontinued products that may still be used following label directions until the expiry date

Active ingredient	Pesticide type	Marketing type	Reg. No.	Product name	Uses	Expiry date
2-Hydroxyethyl n-octyl sulfide plus related active compounds	synergist with insecticides	domestic	9754	Raid Yard Fogger	backyard	31 Dec 2004
Azaconazole	antisapstain	commercial	21822	Rodewod 200EC Sapstain Control Chemical	lumber and wood	31 Dec 2006
Oil of Lavender	personal insect repellent	domestic	9930	Fly screen	insect repellent	31 Mar 2007
Sodium Metaborate Tetrahydrate	herbicide	domestic	16200	Wilson's Granular Vegetation Killer	vegetation control in non-food areas	31 Dec 2004
		domestic	16950	CO-OP Total Vegetation Control Granules	vegetation control in non-food areas	31 Dec 2004

4.0 Future Regulatory Action

The PMRA does not anticipate further action regarding the substances listed in Table 1. None have been registered as agricultural pesticides for use on food under the PCPA in Canada, and there are no maximum residue limits for food specified in Table 11, Division 15, of the Food and Drug Regulations.

This announcement completes PMRA's re-evaluation of these four active ingredients.