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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: EPA Registration Number 7001-337
Oxy Weed and Grass Killer, Granular

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Applicant: Occidental Chemical Company
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Active Ingredients:

Sodium Chlorate (NaClO ₃)	30.00%
Sodium Metaborate Tetrahydrate (Na ₂ B ₂ O ₄ ·4H ₂ O)	66.50%
Diuron [3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-1,1-dimethylurea]	1.25%
Inert Ingredients:	2.25%

Background:

Submitted Eye Irritation Study to support change in signal word from DANGER to WARNING. Study conducted by Bio-Technics Laboratories, Inc. Data under Accession Number 260551. Method of support not indicated.

Recommendation:

1. FHB/TSS finds this study acceptable to support the conditional registration of this product.
2. The appropriate toxicity category is II - WARNING.

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3. Since the product was originally registered under the "Cite-All" method of support and there was no previous review of acute toxicity data submitted, it could not be determined if the signal word DANGER was based on the Eye Study only. If that is the case, then this request to change signal word to WARNING based on this eye study is acceptable. However, this fact must be established first.

Review:

- (1) Eye Irritation Study: Bio-Technics Laboratories, Inc.;
Report No. 1-2-90445; September 17, 1985.

Procedure:

Nine rabbits received 0.1 g of the test material in one eye each. The treated eyes of three of the rabbits were washed with deionized water 5 to 10 seconds after treatment. Observations were made for 21 days posttreatment.

Results:

At one hour posttreatment, 3/6 animals of the unwashed group and 2/3 of the washed group had corneal opacity (3/6 = 5) (2/3 = 5); 6/6 + 3/3 conjunctive redness (6/6 = 3) (1/3 = 1, 2/3 = 2), chemosis (1/6 = 3, 5/6 = 4) (3/3 = 3) and discharge (6/6 = 3) (1/3 = 2, 2/3 = 3).

At 24 hours, 1/6 corneal opacity (1/6 = 5); 6/6 + 3/3 redness (6/6 = 3) (3/3 = 2), chemosis (2/6 = 2, 3/6 = 3, 1/6 = 4) (2/3 = 1, 1/3 = 2) and discharge (1/6 = 2, 5/6 = 3) (3/3 = 2); 2/6 iris irritation (2/6 = 5).

At 7 days, 1/6 corneal opacity (1/6 = 5); 1/6 iris irritation (1/6 = 5); 6/6 redness (1/6 = 1, 4/6 = 2, 1/6 = 3); 3/6 chemosis (1/6 = 1, 1/6 = 3, 1/6 = 4) and 4/6 discharge (2/6 = 1, 1/6 = 2, 1/6 = 3).

At 21 days, 1/6 had corneal opacity (1/6 = 5) redness (1/6 = 1) and chemosis (1/6 = 2); 3/6 had discharge (1/6 = 1, 1/5 = 2, 1/6 = 3).

Study Classification: Core Guideline Data.

Toxicity Category: II - WARNING.

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