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To: Product Manager 16 Miller  
TS-767

From: Dr. Willa Garner III  
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Attached please find the environmental fate review of:

Reg./File No.: 100-L00

Chemical: Profenofos

Type Product: Insecticide

Product Name: Curacron

Company Name: Ciba-Geigy

Submission Purpose: Reevaluation of drift and runoff data

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Profenofos Runoff Concentration

This note superceeds the information found in the runoff note of 17 February 1982.

From the soil dissipation studies for rotational crop uptake and effects, it was determined that the half-life for profenofos was 16.8 days in sandy soils and about 4.5 days for loamy soils.

When these same soil dissipation studies are used to calculate the  $k_s$  value (soil degradation constant) to be used in the SWRRB model to predict runoff, a value of .055 was determined. Other parameters introduced for the model were:

Pesticide washoff from leaves	- 4%
Pesticide appl. efficiency	- 50%
Half life on foliage	- 2 days
$K_D$ (partition coef)	- 2976

This means that of the total material applied 50% will reach the foliage; half will decay on the foliage in 2 days; the material is tightly bound to the leaves and soil organic matter; and very little is washed off the foliage.

With this data and using two small basins in Watkinsville GA (WATKINS2) and Yazoo MS (YAZZ), the SWRRB model was run using both 3 - 1 lb applications and 6 - 0.5 applications/year. The maximum in both cases being 3 lb/acre/year. Applications were made so that at least one immediately preceeded a day of heavy rain (1.5 to 2.5 inches/day).

In all four instances, runoff quantities were negligible [ $<.001$  lb/acre (limit of calculation by model)]. As a note of interest, if there were to be some runoff, greater than 95% of the material would be bound to the soil particles.



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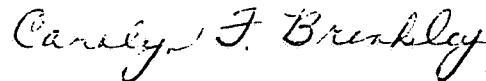
SUBJECT: Environmental Safety Study  
Review for Curacron 6E

Dear Mr. Miller:

On March 10, 1982 representatives of CIBA-GEIGY met with you and Ecological Effects and Environmental Fate Branch personnel to discuss additional ecological studies requested in your letter of March 8. Based on this meeting, we are requesting that the Environmental Fate Branch rereview the information provided on Curacron and provide to the Ecological Effects Branch an estimate of the potential residues of Curacron in pond sediment.

It is our belief that based on the EXAMS model such residues should not exceed 11 ppb and, in fact, was much less in sediment pore water. Furthermore, based on the rapid degradation of Curacron in soil, sediment and water, aquatic organisms will not be exposed to Curacron levels that are acutely or chronically toxic.

Yours truly,



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