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SUBJECT: Product Chemistry Review of Tribufos Technical

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DP BARCODE: D260837  
EPA REG. NO.: 51036-GEU  
REGISTRANT: Micro-Flo Company  
USE: Herbicide

INTRODUCTION:

The Applicant has submitted product chemistry data to support the registration of the new active ingredient Tribufos Technical. The registrant claims that Tribufos technical of Micro-Flo is substantially similar to DEF Technical of Mobay Corporation.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS:

1. The data submitted corresponding to guideline reference 830.1550(Product identity), 830.1600 (Description of material used in process), 830.1650(Production process), and 830.1670(Discussion on the formation of impurities) satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR§158.155, 158.160, 158.162, and 158.167 respectively.
2. The data submitted corresponding to guideline reference 830.1700 (Preliminary analysis), 830.1750 (certified limits) and 830.1800 (Analytical methods to verify certified limits) satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR §158.170, 158.175 and 158.180 respectively.
3. The data submitted corresponding to Guideline Series 830 Subgroup B(Physical-chemical properties)satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR§158.190, except for the items described in 4.
4. No data was reported for Stability to metal & metal ions(830.6313), Dissociation constant (830.7370), and Vapor pressure(830.7950).

CONCLUSION:

The TRB has reviewed the product chemistry data submitted for the Tribufos technical and has concluded that:

1. The data submitted corresponding to guideline reference 830.1550(Product identity), 830.1600 (Description of material used in process), 830.1650(Production process), and 830.1670(Discussion on the formation of impurities) satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR §158.155, 158.160, 158.162, and 158.167 respectively and are acceptable. The basic formulation CSF(dated 03-10-99) is acceptable.
2. The data submitted corresponding to guideline reference 830.1700(Preliminary analysis), 830.1750 (certified limits) and 830.1800(Analytical methods to verify certified limits) satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR §158.170, 158.175 and 158.180 respectively and are acceptable.
3. The data submitted corresponding to Guideline Series 830 Subgroup B(Physical-chemical properties) satisfy the data requirements of 40CFR §158.190 and are acceptable, except for stability to metal & metal ions(830.6313), dissociation constant(830.7370), and vapor pressure(830.7950). The registrant must explain why the above mentioned properties were not reported. Waiver requests (if any) must be made in writing with proper justification.
4. The technical Tribufos of Micro-Flo (Reg. No. 51036-GEU) was determined to be substantially similar to DEF technical of Mobay Corporation(Reg. No. 3125-96) from Product chemistry point of view.

# REVIEW OF PRODUCT CHEMISTRY, OPPTS 830 SERIES

Chemical Name (IUPAC, ANSI, etc.) s,s,s-Tributylphosphorothioate

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| Chemical Numbers (CAS; PC Code)      | Reg. No. 51036-GEU<br>CAS No. 78-48-8<br>PC Code: 074801 |
| Registration/Symbol No./Petition No. | 51036-GEU  |
| Type of Product (T, FI, MP, EP)      | 98.10 % T  |
| DP Barcode                           | D260837  |
| Reviewer                             | Shyam Mathur, Ph.D                                       |

Micro-Flo Co. has submitted (1999; MRIDs 449222-01, 449222-02, and 449600-01) product chemistry data for Tribufos technical support its registration. The Tribufos technical (Micro-Flo) was determined to be substantially similar to DEF technical (Mobay Corporation) from product chemistry point of view.

| GLN                              | Requirement                                  | MRID               | Status <sup>1</sup> | Details and/or Deficiency <sup>2</sup>   |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| 830.1550                         | Product Identity & Disclosure of Ingredients | CSF dated 03-10-99 | A                   | the basic formulation CSF with NC, upper and lower certified limits of AI provided. NC concur with label claim nominal concentration.  |
| 830.1600<br>830.1620<br>830.1650 | Starting Materials & Manufacturing Process   | 449222-01          | A                   | All the information is provided on the starting materials including name of suppliers, chemical names, CAS numbers, Phy-chem properties, etc. Details are provided on manufacturing process along with chemical equations. |
| 830.1670                         | Discussion of Impurities                     | 449222-01          | A                   | Theoretical discussion on the impurities is given. The GC / MS method was used for AI and for the organic impurities.  |
| 830.1700                         | Preliminary Analysis                         | 449222-02          | A                   | Five batches of the technical were analyzed by GC / MS and the method validation was performed.  |
| 830.1750                         | Certification of Limits                      | CSF dated 03-10-99 | A                   | NC, UCL & LCL of the AI and NC and UCL of the impurities are provided as per 40CFR158.175b2.   |
| 830.1800                         | Analytical Methods                           | 449222-02          | A                   | The GC / MS method is used for determination of the AI and all other organic impurities.   |

<sup>1</sup> A = Acceptable; N = Unacceptable (see Deficiency); N/A = Not Applicable.  
<sup>2</sup> Refer to CBI Appendix A for details.

| Table 2: Physical and Chemical Properties for the |   |           |                     |   |
|---|---|-----------|---------------------|---|
| GLN   | Requirement                                   | MRID      | Status <sup>1</sup> | Result <sup>2</sup> or Deficiency   |
| 830.6302  | Color   |           | G                   |   |
| 830.6303  | Physical State                                | 449600-01 | A                   | Liquid  |
| 830.6304  | Odor  |           | G                   | not determined  |
| 830.6313  | Stability                                     | 449600-01 | U                   | Stable at RT, 60°C & sunlight. Stability to metal & metal ions not determined                       |
| 830.6314  | Oxidation/Reduction                           |           | NA                  |   |
| 830.6315  | Flammability                                  | " "       | A                   | > 200°C   |
| 830.6316  | Explodability                                 |           | NA                  |   |
| 830.6317  | Storage Stability                             |           | NA                  | "   |
| 830.6319  | Miscibility                                   |           | NA                  |   |
| 830.6320  | Corrosion Characteristics                     |           | NA                  |   |
| 830.7000  | pH  | 449600-01 | A                   | 3.64 at 20°C  |
| 830.7050  | UV/Visible Absorption                         | 449600-01 | A                   | pH = 7; 207.4 nm; Log ε = 4.29<br>pH < 2; 203.1 nm; Log ε = 3.79<br>pH > 10; 216.8 nm; Log ε = 4.30 |
| 830.7100  | Viscosity                                     | 449600-01 | A                   | 9.62 cTs @ 25°C; 5.37 cTs @ 45 °C   |
| 830.7200  | Melting Point/<br>Melting Range               |           | NA                  |   |
| 830.7220  | Boiling Point/<br>Boiling Range               | " "       | A                   | 167°C @ 0.70 mm Hg  |
| 830.7300  | Density/<br>Relative Density/<br>Bulk Density | " "       | A                   | 1.07 g/ml at 20 deg C   |
| 830.7370  | Dissociation Constant in Water                | " "       | G                   |   |
| 830.7550<br>830.7560<br>830.7570                  | Partition Coefficient<br>(Octanol/Water)      | " "       | A                   | log P <sub>ow</sub> = 4.71 by HPLC method   |
| 830.7840<br>830.7860                              | Solubility                                    | " "       | A                   | 4.6 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> g/100 ml. Totally miscible with DCM, MeOH & Hexane                           |
| 830.7950  | Vapor Pressure                                | " "       | G                   |   |

<sup>1</sup> A = Acceptable; N = Unacceptable (see Deficiency); N/A = Not applicable.; G = Data gap  
<sup>2</sup> For example, "brown" for 830.6302; "155° C" for 830.7200.

ATTACHMENT: CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX

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  - Identity of product impurities.
  - Description of the product manufacturing process.
  - Description of quality control procedures.
  - Identity of the source of product ingredients.
  - Sales or other commercial/financial information.
  - A draft product label.
  - The product confidential statement of formula.
  - Information about a pending registration action.
  - FIFRA registration data.
  - The document is a duplicate of page(s) \_\_\_\_\_.
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