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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Distribution of Metribuzin Addendum Final Report

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A copy of the Final Report of Metribuzin Addendum dated July 18, 1985 is attached to this memo.

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**METRIBUZIN ADDENDUM**

Final Report

**Task 1: Review and Evaluation of  
Individual Studies**

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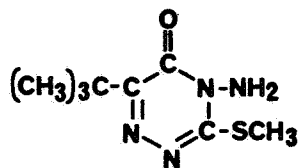
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## METRIBUZIN ADDENDUM

**METRIBUZIN, BAY DIC 1468, BAY 94337,  
LEXONE, SENCOR, SENCORAL, SENCOREX**



**4-Amino-6-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-  
triazin-5(4H)-one**

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#### Study

- 1 Obrist, J.J. and J.S. Thornton. 1976. Soil thin-layer mobility of various pesticides: Report No. 48887. In Environmental fate of Sencor (Special ground water call-in), October 14, 1984. Unpublished study received Nov. 23, 1984 under unknown admin. number; submitted by Mobay Chemical Corporation, Kansas City, MO.

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CONCLUSIONS:Mobility - Leaching and Adsorption/Desorption

1. This study is scientifically valid.
2. [<sup>14</sup>C]Metribuzin was intermediately mobile to mobile in six soils; R<sub>f</sub> values were 0.60 in a sandy loam, 0.59 in a sandy clay loam, 0.62 in a silt loam, 0.78 in an agricultural sand, and 0.68 or 0.79 in two silty clay loams, based on soil TLC tests.
3. This study partially fulfills EPA Data Requirements for Registering Pesticides by providing information on the mobility of metribuzin (unaged) in a sand, sandy loam, sandy clay loam, silt loam, and two silty clay soils.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

Soil TLC plates (20 x 20 cm) were prepared using fine textured and sandy soils (Table 1) spread to a thickness of ~0.75 and ~1.5 mm, respectively, then air-dried. [ $^{14}\text{C}$ ]Metribuzin (test substance uncharacterized, source unspecified) at 0.014  $\mu\text{Ci}/\text{plate}$  was spotted 2.5 cm from the bottom of triplicate plates. DDT was used as a reference standard. The plates were eluted in distilled water to a distance of 12.5 cm above the base, allowed to air dry and autoradiographed.

REPORTED RESULTS:

Metribuzin was intermediately mobile in sandy loam, sandy clay loam, and silt loam soils ( $R_f$  values of  $0.60 \pm 0.01$ ,  $0.59 \pm 0.03$ , and  $0.62 \pm 0.01$ , respectively). Metribuzin was mobile with  $R_f$  values of  $0.78 \pm 0.03$  in the agricultural sand and  $0.68 \pm 0.03$  or  $0.79 \pm 0.01$  in two silty clay soils.

DISCUSSION:

1. The test substance was uncharacterized.
2. Soil/water relationship values ( $K_d$ ) were not reported.

Table 1. Soil characteristics.

Soil type	Sand	Silt	%	Clay	Organic matter	pH
Agricultural sand <sup>a</sup>	92	1		7	0.8	5.9
Sandy loam <sup>a</sup>	74	14		13	2.8	6.6
Sandy clay loam <sup>a</sup>	56	21		23	0.6	5.5
Silt loam <sup>b</sup>	18	57		25	5.1	7.9
Silty clay <sup>b</sup>	4	53		43	2.1	6.7
Silty clay <sup>b</sup>	0	41		59	0.5	6.0

<sup>a</sup> Sieved through a 420  $\mu$ m screen.

<sup>b</sup> Sieved through a 240  $\mu$ m screen.

R<sub>f</sub>

.78

.60

.59

.62

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