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	Taylor (25)
PRODUCT NAME (S)	Prowl Herbicide
COMPANY NAME	American Cyanamid Company
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_	use on sunflowers
CHEMICAL & FORMULATI	ON
	Pendimethalin

Pesticide Name

PROWL

100 Pesticide Label Information

100.1 Pesticide Use

Prowl is currently registered for use on field corn, cotton and soybeans as a post-emergence herbicide. The proposed registration would add the use of Prowl to control weeds in sunflowers

100.2 Formulation Information

Pendimethalin -- 42.3% EC formulation, 4 pounds of pendimethalin/gallon.

100.3 Application Methods, Directions, Rates

See Appendix.

101 Physical and Chemical Properties

See the EEB review by L. Touart (5/13/80).

102 Behavior in the Environment

See the EEB review by W. Rabert (10/23/79).

103 <u>Toxicological Properties</u>

See the EEB review by W. Rabert (10/23/79).

104 Hazard Assessment

104.1 Discussion

Sunflowers in the United States are commercially grown primarily in the Dakotas, Minnesota and California. Total acreage is somewhat over 500,000 acres.

104.2 <u>Likelihood of Adverse Effects to Non-Target Organisms</u>

The use of Prowl to control weeds in sunflowers is not expected to significantly increase the hazard to non-target organisms over currently registered uses. The active ingredient in Prowl, Pendimethalin, is slightly toxic to terrestrial vertebrates and is not expected to approach toxic levels in the feedstuff of these animals when label directions are followed and applications are fully incorporated. Pendimethalin is highly toxic to aquatic organisms. The environmental mobility of Pendimehthalin, though

still uncertain, is not expected to allow significantly greater quantities of the compound to enter aquatic environments than those entering from current usage. Therefore, the incremental risk to non-target organisms of Prowl use on sunflowers is expected to be below levels of concern.

104.3 Endangered Species Considerations

The use of Prowl to control weeds in sunflowers is not expected to adversely affect any federally listed endangered species.

107 <u>Conclusions</u>

The Ecological Effects Branch concurs with the proposed label amendment to Prowl for the new use on sunflowers.

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