

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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## MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

SUBJECT:

50658-EUP-1; Avermectin; Avid 0.15 EC; EAB deferral

regarding estimation of reentry exposure on ornamentals

Caswell No. 63AB

TO:

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THRU:

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FROM:

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Requested Action:

Respond to EAB deferral to Toxicology Branch regarding Allowable Exposure Level (AEL) from the use of Avermectin on ornamentals.

## Recommendation:

1. Toxicology Branch considers the AEL calculation to be of limited value. A knowledge of exposure to havesters and other workers is considered a more appropriate determination to estimate the margin of safety.

Toxicology Branch requires exposure data of the type to be developed in the proposed protocol.

## Review:

No new toxicity data were submitted.