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**MEMORANDUM**

OFFICE OF  
PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND  
TOXIC SUBSTANCES

**SUBJECT:** Dietary Exposure Analysis for Imidacloprid through the Use on Dried Hops.

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**Action Requested**

Provide a Dietary Risk Evaluation System (DRES) analysis of the dietary exposure for imidacloprid through the published use on dried hops. The following interim tolerances (expire 6/28/95) are being assessed in this analysis:

- hops, dried . . . . . 3 ppm
- meat, fat and meat byproducts of cattle, horses, sheep, goats and hogs . . . . . 0.2 ppm
- milk . . . . . 0.05 ppm

**Discussion**

**1. Toxicological Endpoint:** The chronic analysis used a Reference Dose (RfD) of 0.057 mg/kg body weight/day, based on a no observed effect level (NOEL) of 5.7 mg/kg bwt/day and an uncertainty factor of 100. The NOEL is based on a chronic toxicity study in rats that demonstrated increased thyroid lesions in males as an endpoint effect. The HED RfD Peer Review Committee also classified imidacloprid as a Group E carcinogen (G. Ghali memo, 11/10/93).

An acute dietary assessment is required by the Toxicology Endpoint Selection Document for Imidacloprid (Karl Baetcke memo, 4/18/94). The endpoint for acute dietary risk assessment is 24 mg/kg/day from the rabbit developmental study. The LEL (72 mg/kg/day) was based upon decreased body weight, and increased resorptions, abortion and increased skeletal abnormalities.

**2. Residue Information:** Food uses evaluated in this analysis were the published interim tolerances listed in the Tolerance Index System (TIS) and 40 CFR §180.472. The commodities dried hops and meat and milk all have an

expiration date (6/28/95) and have been included in the DRES risk analysis as published commodities.

No information has been provided for refinement of percent of crop treated or anticipated residues for either chronic or acute analyses. A summary of the residue information used in the analysis is attached as Table 1.

3. Results: A DRES chronic exposure analysis was performed using tolerance level residues and 100 percent crop treated information to estimate the Theoretical Maximum Residue Contribution (TMRC) for the general population and 22 subgroups.

Summaries of the TMRCs and their representations as percentages of the RfD for imidacloprid are attached as Table 2.

<u>Subgroup</u>	<u>Exposure(mg/kg/day)</u>	<u>%Reference Dose</u>
U.S. population	0.000984	2
Non-nursing Infants	0.003693	6

#### **Acute Exposure**

The DRES detailed acute exposure analysis evaluates individual food consumption as reported by respondents in the USDA 77-78 Nationwide Food Consumption Survey (NFCS) and estimates the distribution of single day exposures through the diet for the U.S. population and certain subgroups. The analysis assumes uniform distribution of imidacloprid in the commodity supply. Since the toxicological effect to which high end exposure is being compared to in this analysis is developmental toxicity, the DRES subgroup of concern is females (13+ years) which approximates women of child-bearing age.

The Margin of Exposure (MOE) is a measure of how closely the high end exposure comes to the NOEL (the highest dose at which no effects were observed in the laboratory study), and is calculated as the ratio of the NOEL to the exposure (NOEL/exposure = MOE). For substances whose acute NOEL is based on animal studies, the Agency is not generally concerned unless the MOE is below 100.

In the analysis, tolerance level residues were used to calculate the high-end exposure for the females (13+ years) subgroup. High end exposure was compared to the NOEL of 24 mg/kg bwt/day from the rabbit developmental study to get a high end Margin of Exposure. The MOE for females was calculated in the attached table and the results are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Females (13+ years) High End Exposure} &= 0.00288 \\ \text{NOEL/ Exposure} &= 24 \text{ mg/kg/day} \div 0.00288 = 8333 \end{aligned}$$

This is the first time that acute exposure has been calculated for imidacloprid using the DRES system. Using the given endpoints, the MOE is not of concern for the subgroup females (13+ years) with an estimated MOE considerably above 100.

#### **Discussion**

To the extent that this analysis used tolerance level residues and 100 percent-crop-treated assumptions, it is considered a "worst-case" picture of the dietary risk from imidacloprid. The chronic dietary risk from exposure of imidacloprid appears to be of minimal concern, with all DRES subgroups having TMRC values well below the Reference Dose.

The acute dietary analysis of imidacloprid is not of concern for females of child-bearing age.

#### **Attachments**

cc: DRES, Caswell #497E, Tox I, CBTS

Table 1: Chronic Dietary Risk Evaluation for Imidacloprid

CHEMICAL INFORMATION FOR CASWELL NUMBER 497E

DATE: 08/16/94

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CHEMICAL	STUDY TYPE	EFFECTS	REFERENCE DOSES	DATA GAPS/COMMENTS	STATUS
Imidacloprid Caswell #497E CAS No. 105827-78-9 A.I. CODE: 129099 CFR No.	2yr feeding- rat NOEL= 5.7000 mg/kg 100.00 ppm LEL= 16.9000 mg/kg 300.00 ppm ONCO: E (Rfd/PR Committee)	Increased incidence of mineralized particles in thyroid colloid.  No evidence of oncogenicity in rats or mice.	ADI UF -->100 OPP Rfd= 0.057000 EPA Rfd= 0.000000	No data gaps.	Rfd/PR reviewed 04/22/93

FOOD CODE	FOOD NAME	PETITION NUMBER	NEW	TOLERANCE (PPM)	PUBLISHED
08020AA	HOPS	300343		3.000000	
50000DB	MILK-NON-FAT SOLIDS	300343		0.050000	
50000FA	MILK-FAT SOLIDS	300343		0.050000	
50000SA	MILK SUGAR (LACTOSE)	300343		0.050000	
53001BA	BEEF-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	300343		0.200000	
53001BB	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	300343		0.200000	
53001DA	BEEF-DRIED	300343		0.200000	
53001FA	BEEF(BONELESS)-FAT.(BEEF TALLOW)	300343		0.200000	
53001KA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	300343		0.200000	
53001LA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	300343		0.200000	
53001MA	BEEF(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	300343		0.200000	
53002BA	GOAT-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	300343		0.200000	
53002BB	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	300343		0.200000	
53002FA	GOAT(BONELESS)-FAT	300343		0.200000	
53002KA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	300343		0.200000	
53002LA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	300343		0.200000	
53002MA	GOAT(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	300343		0.200000	
53003AA	HORSE	300343		0.200000	
53005BA	SHEEP-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	300343		0.200000	
53005BB	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	300343		0.200000	
53005FA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-FAT	300343		0.200000	
53005KA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	300343		0.200000	
53005LA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	300343		0.200000	
53005MA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	300343		0.200000	
53006BA	PORK-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	300343		0.200000	
53006BB	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	300343		0.200000	
53006FA	PORK(BONELESS)-FAT (INCLUDING LARD)	300343		0.200000	
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	300343		0.200000	
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	300343		0.200000	
53006MA	PORK-LEAN	300343		0.200000	

Table 2: Chronic Dietary Risk Evaluation for Imidacloprid

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POPULATION SUBGROUP					
U.S. POPULATION : 48 STATES					
U.S. POPULATION - SPRING SEASON					
U.S. POPULATION - SUMMER SEASON					
U.S. POPULATION - FALL SEASON					
U.S. POPULATION - WINTER SEASON					
NORTHEAST REGION					
NORTH CENTRAL REGION					
SOUTHERN REGION					
WESTERN REGION					
HISPANICS					
NON-HISPANIC WHITES					
NON-HISPANIC BLACKS					
NON-HISPANIC OTHERS					
NURSING INFANTS (< 1 YEAR OLD)					
NON-NURSING INFANTS (< 1 YEAR OLD)					
FEMALES (13+ YEARS, PREGNANT)					
FEMALES (13+ YEARS, NURSING CHILDREN (1-6 YEARS OLD)					
CHILDREN (7-12 YEARS OLD)					
MALES (13-19 YEARS OLD)					
FEMALES (13-19 YEARS OLD, NOT PREG. OR NURSING)					
MALES (20 YEARS AND OLDER)					
FEMALES (20 YEARS AND OLDER, NOT PREG. OR NURS)					
TOTAL TMRC (MG/KG BODY WEIGHT/DAY)					
CURRENT TMRC*		NEW TMRC**		DIFFERENCE AS PERCENT OF RFD	
EFFECT OF ANTICIPATED RESIDUES		ARC		2RFD	
0.000984	0.000984	1.726795	0.000000		
0.000945	0.000945	1.658274	0.000000		
0.000985	0.000985	1.727451	0.000000		
0.001015	0.001015	1.779881	0.000000		
0.000993	0.000993	1.741823	0.000000		
0.001013	0.001013	1.776786	0.000000		
0.001028	0.001028	1.803079	0.000000		
0.000892	0.000892	1.564568	0.000000		
0.001043	0.001043	1.829235	0.000000		
0.001214	0.001214	2.130267	0.000000		
0.000979	0.000979	1.717233	0.000000		
0.000900	0.000900	1.579661	0.000000		
0.001077	0.001077	1.888679	0.000000		
0.000916	0.000916	1.607267	0.000000		
0.003693	0.003693	6.478568	0.000000		
0.000698	0.000698	1.225409	0.000000		
0.000818	0.000818	1.434898	0.000000		
0.002363	0.002363	4.146407	0.000000		
0.001563	0.001563	2.742896	0.000000		
0.001086	0.001086	1.905291	0.000000		
0.000834	0.000834	1.463316	0.000000		
0.000729	0.000729	1.279179	0.000000		
0.000584	0.000584	1.024774	0.000000		

\*Current TMRC does not include new or pending tolerances.  
\*\*New TMRC includes new, pending, and published tolerances.

\*NAME: INIDACLOPRID STUDY RDV NOEL SF STUDY TYPE SPECIES EFF. LEV. CORE GRADE DOC. NO.\*  
 \*CASWELL NO: 497E CFR NO: CFR A \*CAS NO: 12909-90-0 SHAUGHNESSY NO: 129099 B \*STATUS CODES: C

\*RDV INFO: The LD value used in this analysis is 0.0024 MG/KG of BODY WEIGHT/DAY AR DATA: No User Modifications\*  
 \*FILE INFO: No Tolerance Data Are Used--Without User Modifications.  
 LISTING OF RELEVANT FOODS & FOOD FORMS, ORDERED BY MENU CATEGORY. MENU PATTERN = I  
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POPULATION = U.S. POP.---48 STATES

FOOD CODE	FOOD AND FOOD FORM DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF CONSUMER DAYS AS PERCENT OF POTENTIAL PERSON DAYS	TOLERANCE DATA		AR DATA		DAILY ANTICIPATED RESIDUE	
			VALUE	:SORC (PPM) TYPE	VALUE (PPM) REF.:	(EXCL. AR) (INCL. AR)	MAXIMUM RESIDUE	DAILY RESIDUE
MENU CATEGORY 1: MEATS								
53001BA	BEEF-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	7.68			0.2000			0.042789
21	COOKED-NFS	0.88			0.2000			0.029024
26	COOKED-FRESH-PICKLED, CORNED, OR CURED							
53001BB	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	7.72			0.2000			0.013324
21	COOKED-NFS	0.22			0.2000			0.081669
51	COOKED-CANNED							
53001DA	BEEF-DRIED	0.25			0.2000			0.193489
21	COOKED-NFS							
53001FA	BEEF(BONELESS)-FAT (BEEF TALLOW)	27.74			0.2000			0.001051
10	RAW-FRESH OR NFS	86.58			0.2000			0.034395
21	COOKED-NFS	52.96			0.2000			0.009596
22	COOKED-FRESH-BAKED	11.38			0.2000			0.058397
23	COOKED-FRESH-BOILED	18.46			0.2000			0.154271
24	COOKED-FRESH-BROILED	40.70			0.2000			0.010718
25	COOKED-FRESH-FRIED							
53001KA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	0.02			0.2000			0.542542
21	COOKED-NFS							
53001LA	BEEF(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	1.00			0.2000			0.408616
25	COOKED-FRESH-FRIED	0.00			0.2000			1.249926
31	COOKED-FRESH OR CANNED							
53001MA	BEEF(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	0.00			0.2000			0.236680
10	RAW-FRESH OR NFS	55.27			0.2000			0.251875
21	COOKED-NFS	4.67			0.2000			0.208010
22	COOKED-FRESH-BAKED	9.15			0.2000			0.158910
23	COOKED-FRESH-BOILED	18.46			0.2000			0.377698
24	COOKED-FRESH-BROILED							
53002BA	GOAT-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
00	NOT SPECIFIED (NO CONSUMPTION)							
53002BB	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
00	NOT SPECIFIED (NO CONSUMPTION)							
53002FA	GOAT(BONELESS)-FAT	0.01			0.2000			0.062767
23	COOKED-FRESH-BOILED	0.00			0.2000			0.031364
25	COOKED-FRESH-FRIED							
53002KA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
00	NOT SPECIFIED (NO CONSUMPTION)							
53002LA	GOAT(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
00	NOT SPECIFIED (NO CONSUMPTION)							
53002MA	GOAT(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	0.01			0.2000			0.300050
23	COOKED-FRESH-BOILED							

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			VALUE	SORC (PPM) TYPE	VALUE (PPM) REF.	(EXCL. AR)	RESIDUE	ANTICIPATED RESIDUE
25	COOKED-FRESH-FRIED	0.00			0.2000			0.144310
53003AA	HORSE	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
53005BA	SHEEP-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	0.00			0.2000			0.252366
53005BB	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	0.00			0.2000			0.316277
53005FA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-FAT	0.61			0.2000			0.138588
53005KA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	0.00			0.2000			0.114742
53005LA	SHEEP(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	0.00			0.2000			0.000000
53005MA	SHEEP(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	0.62			0.2000			0.355060
53006BA	PORK-MEAT BYPRODUCTS	0.04			0.2000			0.540673
53006BB	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-OTHER	8.60			0.2000			0.058874
53006FA	PORK(BONELESS)-FAT (INCLUDING LARD)	6.68			0.2000			0.010607
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	0.88			0.2000			0.005618
53006MA	PORK(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	27.80			0.2000			0.001247
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	92.99			0.2000			0.020915
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	11.36			0.2000			0.040619
53006MA	PORK(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	40.60			0.2000			0.011957
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	24.16			0.2000			0.051000
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	0.00			0.2000			0.293686
53006MA	PORK(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	0.91			0.2000			0.096380
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	0.03			0.2000			0.313470
53006LA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-LIVER	33.75			0.2000			0.107551
53006MA	PORK(BONELESS)-LEAN (W/O REMOVEABLE FAT)	3.16			0.2000			0.302427
53006KA	PORK(ORGAN MEATS)-KIDNEY	24.22			0.2000			0.133609

MENU CATEGORY 4: MILK: NON-FAT SOLIDS

50000DB	MILK-NON-FAT SOLIDS				0.0500			0.366137
10	RAW-FRESH OR NFS	78.77			0.0500			0.064633
21	COOKED-NFS	90.38						

10 DETAILED ACUTE ANALYSIS INCLUDING AR'S: ALL STATISTICS BASED ON USERS' DAILY CONSUMPTION

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			VALUE	TYPE	VALUE	REF.	RESIDUE	(INCL. AR)	
50000FA	51 COOKED-CANNED MILK-FAT SOLIDS	3.51			0.0500				0.368717
50000SA	21 COOKED-NFS MILK SUGAR (LACTOSE)	0.01			0.0500				0.005203
	51 COOKED-CANNED	0.56			0.0500				0.345702
MENU CATEGORY 5: MILK: FAT SOLIDS									
50000FA	10 RAW-FRESH OR NFS MILK-FAT SOLIDS	81.63			0.0500				0.164598
	21 COOKED-NFS	90.30			0.0500				0.039787
	51 COOKED-CANNED	3.51			0.0500				0.014677
MENU CATEGORY 13: MISCELLANEOUS FOODS									
08020AA	21 COOKED-NFS HOPS	4.72			3.0000				1.380369

Table 3: Acute Dietary Risk Evaluation for Imidacloprid

1 DETAILED ACUTE ANALYSIS INCLUDING AR'S: ALL STATISTICS BASED ON USERS' DAILY CONSUMPTION 16:27 Friday, August 12, 1994 5  
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FEMALES(13+ YRS)

ESTIMATED % OF POTENTIAL	PERSON DAYS THAT ARE USER-DAYS	MG/KG BODY WEIGHT/DAY	AS PERCENT OF RDV
0	0	0.000000	0.00
0	58	0.000658	27.41
0	2	1.2	1.4
0	4	1.2	1.4
0	6	1.2	1.4
0	20	1.2	1.4
0	58	1.2	1.4
0	2	1.6	1.8
0	4	1.6	1.8
0	6	1.6	1.8
0	20	1.6	1.8
0	58	1.6	1.8
0	2	2	2
0	4	2	2
0	6	2	2
0	20	2	2
0	58	2	2
0	2	3	3
0	4	3	3
0	6	3	3
0	20	3	3
0	58	3	3
0	2	4	4
0	4	4	4
0	6	4	4
0	20	4	4
0	58	4	4
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0	58	5	5
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