

US ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
OFFICE OF PESTICIDES PROGRAMS  
REGISTRATION DIVISION (TS-767)  
WASHINGTON, DC 20460

EPA REGISTRATION NO.  
30-27

DATE OF ISSUANCE  
JUL 10 1995

TERM OF ISSUANCE  
Conditional

NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:  REGISTRATION  
 REREGISTRATION  
(Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide,  
and Rodenticide Act, as amended)

NAME OF PESTICIDE PRODUCT  
SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT

NAME AND ADDRESS OF REGISTRANT (Include ZIP code)

Mr. William R. Sweeney  
W. R. Sweeney Manufacturer, Inc.  
312 South Broadway  
Salisbury, MO 65281

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NOTE: Changes in labeling formula differing in substance from that accepted in connection with this registration must be submitted to and accepted by the Registration Division prior to use of the label in commerce. In any correspondence on this product always refer to the above U.S. EPA registration number.

On the basis of information furnished by the registrant, the above named pesticide is hereby Registered/Reregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

A copy of the labeling accepted in connection with this Registration/Reregistration is returned herewith.

Registration is in no way to be construed as an indorsement or approval of this product by this Agency. In order to protect health and the environment, the Administrator, on his motion, may at any time suspend or cancel the registration of a pesticide in accordance with the Act. The acceptance of any name in connection with the registration of a product under this Act is not to be construed as giving the registrant a right to exclusive use of the name or to its use if it has been covered by others.

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

This product is conditionally registered in accordance with FIFRA sec. 3(c)(7)(A) provided that you:

1. Submit and/or cite all data required for registration of your product under FIFRA § 3(c)(5) or for reregistration under FIFRA § 4 when the Agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit such data. You also must meet the product specific requirement for Storage Stability (Guideline No. 63-17) data as indicated below.
2. Make the changes listed below to the labeling, submitted on Jan. 28, 1994, before you release the product for shipment:

"This product is toxic to fish, birds, and other wildlife. Baits exposed on soil surface may be hazardous to birds and other wildlife. Do not contaminate water by lakes, streams, or ponds. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes."

This is the text that was required for that section by the Strychnine Settlement Agreement of 1989.

ATTACHMENT IS APPLICABLE

SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL  
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- b. As it appears on the front panel of your proposed label, the name of this product now would be "KILL GOPHERS With Sweeney's GOPHER BAIT." As you intend to call this product "SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT", you must greatly decrease the type sizes used for "KILL GOPHERS With" so that "SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT" stands out on the front panel. Shrinking the type sizes used for "KILL GOPHERS With" also should create additional space on the "FRONT PANEL" of the label so that the "STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT" and the "NOTE TO PHYSICIAN" could be shifted there. Even if those sections were moved to the "FRONT PANEL", it appears to us that it still would be difficult to fit all of the remaining label text onto the "REAR PANEL".

The proposed Confidential Statement of Formula (CSF) is acceptable. Note, however, that the current registration number for the source of active ingredient that you have listed third is 2935-507.

You will have 18 months from the date of this letter to generate and submit acceptable Storage Stability data (Guideline No. 63-17) for this product. As indicated in the terms of the Strychnine Settlement Agreement of 1989, you must provide quarterly reports of progress toward the meeting of the Storage Stability data requirement. The first quarterly report is due 3 months from the date of this letter. The first quarterly report should indicate the facility that is to conduct the Storage Stability study and the expected schedule its completion.

Because you claim that you would make this product in a manner identical to that which the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS/USDA) uses to make its product 56228-19, you need not submit a description of the manufacturing process for 30-ET. If you discover, at any time, that your manufacturing process differs from APHIS's, you must submit a written description of the process that you use. We feel that submitting such a description at this time would be a good idea, just in case there are some differences between your process and APHIS's.

The dropping of the instruction "Punch Bait Hole With End of Can" from the label removes one of the major objections that we had to your proposed use of the 4-oz conical container for a pocket gopher bait. With the label no longer advising the inappropriate use of the container as a probe, we feel that users would be far less likely to flip containers that inadvertently were left open. While we still have some concerns about this container, we are no longer objecting to its use. Our position could change if we were to become aware that this container had contributed to accidents involving this product. Note that §6(a)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) requires you to report to us any adverse information of which you become aware that concerns any of your registered pesticide products.

Submit five (5) copies of your final printed labeling before your release the product for shipment. Refer to the A-79 Enclosure for a further description of final printed labeling.

If you fail to comply with the conditions outlined in this notice, this registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA §6(e). Your release for shipment of the product bearing the amended labeling constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

Sincerely yours,



Robert A. Forrest  
Product Manager 14  
Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch  
Registration Division (7505C)



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LABEL COPY, REAR PANEL  
SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT  
Revised 6/20/94

STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

IF SWALLOWED: CALL A PHYSICIAN OR POISON CONTROL CENTER  
IMMEDIATELY.

If less than ten (10) minutes have passed since the poison was taken, give 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching back of throat with finger. Repeat until vomit fluid is clear. Have patient lie down in quiet, darkened room and keep him warm and quiet. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air. Apply artificial respiration if indicated.

IF ON SKIN: Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected areas with soap and water.

IF IN EYES: Flush eyes with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

A. Administer 100% OXYGEN by positive pressure to provide as much pulmonary gas exchange as possible, despite seizures.

B. Administer ANTICONVULSANT DRUGS intravenously to control convulsions. NOTE: It may be difficult or impossible to stop the seizure activity without stopping respiration. Be prepared to maintain pulmonary ventilation mechanically. Tracheotomy may be necessary if seizures are prolonged.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER

Convulsive Poison! Poisonous if swallowed. Do not breathe dust! Do not contaminate feed and foodstuffs. KEEP AWAY FROM CHILDREN, PETS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating or smoking. Clean clothing should be used daily.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to fish, birds, and other wildlife. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes. Do not apply directly to food or feed crops.

ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS

NOTICE: The killing of a member of an endangered species during strychnine baiting operations may result in a fine under the Endangered Species Act. Before baiting, the user is advised to contact the Regional U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Endangered Species Specialist) or the local Fish and Game Office for specific information on endangered species. Strychnine baits should not be used in the geographic ranges of the following species except under programs and procedures approved by the U.S.E.P.A.: gray wolf and grizzly bear. This product may not be used in California.

(Label Copy, Rear Panel (continued) Sweeney's Gopher Bait).

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

USE RESTRICTIONS: This product may be used in subterranean applications (only) in yard and garden areas around homes to control pocket gophers' (Geomys spp., Thomomys spp., and Pappogeomys castanops). Bait must be applied directly into pocket gophers' underground burrow systems.

DO NOT PLACE BAIT ON OR ABOVE THE GROUND SURFACE. Pick up any bait that spills on ground immediately. Do not apply this product by means of a burrow-builder machine.

BAITING DIRECTIONS: Burrowing pocket gophers throw out low, fan-shaped dirt mounds on either side of their main underground runways. Short lateral tunnels connect the mounds to the main runway. Except when a pocket gopher is throwing out dirt, its lateral tunnels are plugged with soil at the mound, leaving a horseshoe-shaped depression.

Using a long-handled spoon or other suitable tool, carefully remove the dirt plug. Insert a teaspoonful of bait at the junction of the lateral tunnel and the main runway. Reclose hole, taking care to exclude light and not to allow soil to cover bait. Treat each apparent burrow system at two to five locations. Depending upon pocket gopher density, four ounces of bait will treat 1/4 to two acres.

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

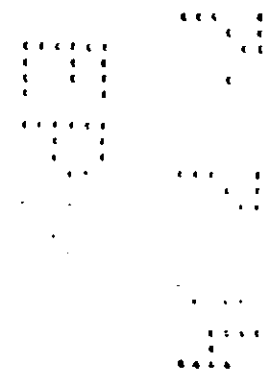
Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

STORAGE: Store only in original container, in a dry place inaccessible to children, pets and domestic animals.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Securely wrap in several layers of newspaper and discard in trash.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Do not reuse container. Discard container in trash.

Container Shape <sup>®</sup> W.R. Sweeney, Mfr. Inc.



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