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January 30, 1997

Mr. William P. Sweeney
W. F. Sweeney Manufacturer, Inc.
312 South Broadway
Salisbury, NC 65281

Dear Mr. Sweeney

Subject: Kill Gophers Sweeney's Gopher Bait
EPA Registration Number 30-27
Your Submission Dated October 23, 1996, and
Your Progress Report Dated January 8, 1997

Your progress report notes that a Storage Stability (Guideline No. 63-17) data report has been submitted for this product. That report has been placed into review. Pending the outcome of that review, the requirement to submit quarterly progress reports for this product is suspended.

The proposed revised label submitted on October 23, 1997, is acceptable subject to the comments made below and the requirements to submit one copy of final printed labeling before releasing the product for shipment and to meet type size specifications as indicated in our initial acceptance letter of July 10, 1995.

1. In the next-to-last sentence of the "ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS", change "baits" to "baits".
2. In the "It is a violation . . . labeling" statement immediately under "DIRECTIONS FOR USE", change "its'" to "its" (there is no hyphen in "its" when it is used as a possessive pronoun).

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, you may call me at 703-305-6406.

Sincerely yours,

William W. Jacobs
Acting Product Manager 14

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Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch
Registration Division (7505C)

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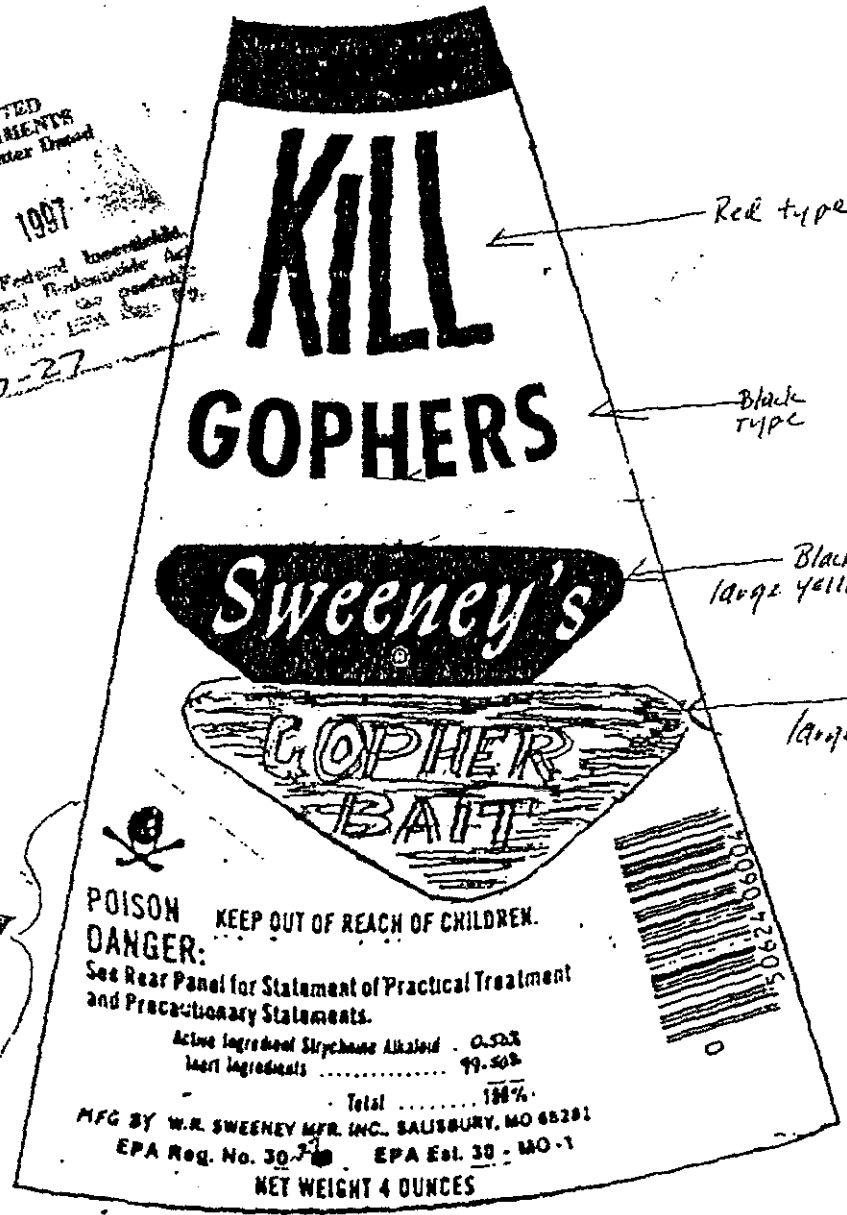
LABEL COPY...FRONT PANEL..SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT

EPA Reg. No. 30-27

(Revised 10/23/96)

(Application filed 10/18/96 to change name to KILL GOPHERS SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT)

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
in EPA Letter Dated
JAN 30 1997
Under the Federal Insecticide,
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
as amended, for the pesticide
registered under EPA Reg. No. 30-27



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LABEL COPY, REAR PANEL
SWEENEY'S GOPHER BAIT EPA Reg. No. 30-27
(Revised 10/23/96)

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. Baits exposed on soil surface may be hazardous to 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 apply directly to food or feed crops. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

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.

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Label Copy, Rear Panel, (continued), Sweeney's Gopher Bait (Revised 10/23/96)

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. **DO NOT PLACE IN AREAS ACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN, PETS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS.**

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  W.R. Sweeney, Mfr., Inc.

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Section II (continued) EPA Form 8570-1. OPP I.D. #215850

Amendment: Requesting permission to add "DO NOT PLACE IN AREAS ACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN, PETS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS" as shown in Directions for Use section under Use Restrictions.

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