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Subject: Notification per PRN 98-10 – Revising the label to add previously approved specific diseases of sunflower
Product Name: MAXIM 025FS
EPA Registration Number: 100-1566
Application Date: 12/16/2019
Decision Number: 558703

Dear Mr. Flanery:

The Agency is in receipt of your Application for Pesticide Notification under Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10 for the above referenced product. The Registration Division (RD) has conducted a review of this request for its applicability under PRN 98-10 and finds that the action requested falls within the scope of PRN 98-10.

The label submitted with the application has been stamped “Notification” and will be placed in our records.

Should you wish to add/retain a reference to the company’s website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act and is subject to review by the Agency. If the website is false or misleading, the product would be misbranded and unlawful to sell or distribute under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR 156.10(a)(5) list examples of statements EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product’s label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process. Therefore, should the Agency find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains false or misleading statements or claims substantially differing from the EPA approved registration, the website will be referred to the EPA’s Office of Enforcement and Compliance.

If you have any questions, please contact Maryam K. Muhammad by phone at 703-347-0301, or via email at Muhammad.maryam@epa.gov.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Maryam K. Muhammad". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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NOTIFICATION

100-1566

The applicant has certified that no changes, other than those reported to the Agency have been made to the labeling. The Agency acknowledges this notification by letter dated:

01/30/2020

[MASTER]

FLUDIOXONIL GROUP 12 FUNGICIDE

Maxim® 025FS

Fungicide

A seed treatment product for protection against damage from seed decay, damping-off and seedling blights of sunflower seed.

Active Ingredients:

Fludioxonil*	2.38%
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Other Ingredients:	97.62%
Total:	100.00%

*CAS No. 131341-86-1

Maxim 025FS is a flowable concentrate for seed treatment containing 0.21 lb fludioxonil per gallon.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

CAUTION

See additional precautionary statements and directions for use inside booklet [on label].

EPA Reg. No. 100-1566

EPA Est.

Net Contents

[Batch Code: _____] (For nonrefillables only.)

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1.0 FIRST AID

FIRST AID
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.
HOTLINE NUMBER For 24-Hour Medical Emergency Assistance (Human or Animal) or Chemical Emergency Assistance (Spill, Leak, Fire, or Accident), Call 1-800-888-8372

2.0 PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

2.1 Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

CAUTION

Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

2.2 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Chemical-resistant gloves: barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥ 14 mils, neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils, nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) ≥ 14 mils, or Viton® ≥ 14 mils
- Shoes plus socks

2.2.1 User Safety Requirements

Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

2.2.2 Engineering Controls

When handlers use closed systems in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4-6)], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

2.2.3 User Safety Recommendations

Users should:

- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

2.3 Environmental Hazards

This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic invertebrates. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater or rinsate.

2.3.1 Groundwater Advisory

Fludioxonil has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in groundwater. This chemical may leach into groundwater if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.

2.4 Physical or Chemical Hazards

Do not mix or allow coming in contact with oxidizing agents. Hazardous chemical reaction may occur.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

Use is permitted on-farm and in commercial seed treatment facilities. Do not use for at-plant applications (e.g., hopper box, planter box, etc.). This product is to be used in liquid or slurry treaters only.

Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the agency responsible for pesticide regulation.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE, RESTRICTIONS, AND PRECAUTIONS ON THIS LABEL MAY RESULT IN CROP INJURY, POOR DISEASE CONTROL, AND/OR ILLEGAL RESIDUES.

AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This Standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE), notification to workers, and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted-entry interval (REI) of 12 hours. Exception: If the seed is treated with the product and the treated seed is soil-injected or soil-incorporated, the Worker Protection Standard, under certain circumstances, allows workers to enter the treated area if there will be no contact with anything that has been treated.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water is:

- Coveralls
- Chemical-resistant gloves: barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥14 mils, neoprene rubber ≥14 mils, nitrile rubber ≥14 mils, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) ≥14 mils, or Viton ≥14 mils
- Shoes plus socks

Treatment of highly mechanically scarred or damaged seed or seed known to be of low vigor and poor quality may result in reduced germination and/or reduction of seed and seedling vigor. Treat a quantity of seed using equipment similar to that planned for treating the total seed lot. Then conduct germination tests with a portion of this treated seed before committing the total seed lot to a selected seed treatment.

Due to seed quality, crop or variety sensitivity, and seed storage conditions beyond the control of Syngenta, no claims are made to guarantee the germination of seed or propagating material for all crop seed when treated with Maxim 025FS.

3.0 PRODUCT INFORMATION

Maxim 025FS is a seed treatment fungicide for protection against *Fusarium* and weakly pathogenic fungi such as *Aspergillus* and *Penicillium* causing damage from seed decay, damping-off and seedling blights of sunflower seed. Where rate ranges are given, use the higher specified rate when disease pressure is expected to be severe.

3.1 Resistance Management Recommendations

FLUDIOXONIL	GROUP	12	FUNGICIDE
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For resistance management, Maxim 025FS contains fludioxonil, a Group 12 fungicide. Any fungal population may contain individuals naturally resistant to Maxim 025FS and other Group 12 fungicides. A gradual or total loss of pest control may occur over time if these fungicides are used repeatedly in the same fields. Appropriate resistance-management strategies should be followed.

Fludioxonil belongs to the phenylpyrrole class of chemistry which interferes with osmotic signal transduction.

To delay fungicide resistance, take one or more of the following steps:

- Rotate the use of Maxim 025FS or other Group 12 fungicides within a growing season sequence with different groups that control the same pathogens.
- Use tank mixtures with fungicide from a different group that are equally effective on the target pest when such use is permitted. Use at least the minimum application rate as labeled by the manufacturer.
- Adopt an integrated disease management program for fungicide use that includes scouting, uses historical information related to pesticide use, and crop rotation, and which considers host plant resistance, impact of environmental conditions on disease development, disease thresholds, as well as cultural, biological and other chemical control practices.
- Where possible, make use of predictive disease models to effectively time fungicide applications. Note that using predictive models alone is not sufficient to manage resistance.
- Monitor treated fungal populations for resistance development.
- Contact your local extension specialist or certified crop advisor for any additional pesticide resistance-management and/or IPM recommendations for specific crop and pathogens.

- For further information or to report suspected resistance contact Syngenta at 1-866-Syngent(a) (866-796-4368). You can also contact your pesticide distributor or university extension specialist to report resistance.

Syngenta encourages responsible product stewardship to ensure effective long term control of the fungal diseases on this label.

4.0 APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

Important: Recirculate Maxim 025FS thoroughly before using.

Follow the manufacturer's application instructions for the seed treatment equipment being used.

Apply Maxim 025FS as a water-based slurry utilizing standard slurry seed treatment equipment which provides uniform seed coverage. Uneven or incomplete seed coverage may not give the desired level of disease control. Thoroughly mix the specified amount of Maxim 025FS into the required amount of water or liquid inoculant for the slurry treater and dilution rate to be used.

Certain crops require addition of inoculants when the seed is treated or planted. Maxim 025FS is compatible with several liquid inoculant products. Consult the maker of the inoculant product and a Syngenta representative for directions before applying Maxim 025FS with inoculants.

The total application volume must be sufficient to provide desired level of coverage. Dilution is typically done with water or liquid inoculants. The minimum slurry volume to achieve adequate coverage is 20 fl oz/100 lb seed. More diluent may be required to obtain complete coverage.

Continuous agitation or mixing of the slurry mixture is necessary to prevent settling out of the solution. Clean out any unused product from the treater after treating or maintain constant agitation if the leftover slurry will be maintained overnight.

- Maxim 025FS contains an EPA-approved colorant that imparts an unnatural Red color to the seed as required by the Federal Seed Act.
- Allow seed to dry before bagging.

Follow planter manufacturer's specifications for use of talc or other hopper box additives at planting. Seed must be completely dry before adding to planter.

It is the pesticide user's responsibility to ensure that all products are registered for the intended use. Read and follow the applicable restrictions and limitations and directions for use on all product labels involved in tank mixing. Users must follow the most

restrictive directions for use and precautionary statements of each product in the tank mixture.

5.0 RESTRICTIONS

Do not use for at-plant applications (e.g., hopper box, planter box, etc.). This product is to be used in liquid or slurry treaters only.

Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift.

6.0 SEED CONTAINER LABEL REQUIREMENTS – DOMESTIC USE

The Federal Seed Act requires that containers of treated seeds must be labeled with the following statements:

- This seed has been treated with Fludioxonil fungicide.
- Do not use for feed, food, or oil purposes.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires the following statements on containers of seeds treated with fludioxonil:

- Store away from feeds and foodstuffs.
- Do not allow children, pets, or livestock to have access to treated seed.
- Wear long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and chemical-resistant gloves when handling treated seed.
- Treated seed must be planted into the soil at a depth greater than 1 inch.
- Treated seeds exposed on soil surface may be hazardous to wildlife. Cover or collect treated seeds spilled during loading and planting.
- Dispose of all excess treated seed by burying seed away from bodies of water.
- Do not contaminate water bodies when disposing of planting equipment washwaters.

- Dispose of seed packaging in accordance with local requirements.
- Excess treated seed may be used for ethanol production only if (1) By-products are not used for livestock feed, and (2) No measurable residues of pesticide remain in the ethanol by-products that are used in agronomic practice.
- Groundwater Advisory: Fludioxonil has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in groundwater. This chemical may leach into groundwater if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.

7.0 SEED TREATMENT DIRECTIONS

7.1 Domestic Use

Sunflower – Domestic Use

Target Disease	Use Rate (fl oz/100 lb seed)	Use Rate (mg ai/seed)*	Use Information
Seed Decay, Damping-off, and Seedling Blight	1.5 – 3.1	0.0025 – 0.005	*Based on an average seed weight of 4,500 sunflower seeds/lb. If treating seeds with a different average seed weight, recalculate the appropriate mg ai/seed rate.
Resistance Management Recommendations:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to Section 3.1. 			

8.0 SEED CONTAINER LABEL REQUIREMENTS – EXPORT USE

The Federal Seed Act requires that containers of treated seeds must be labeled with the following statements:

- This seed has been treated with Fludioxonil fungicide.
- Do not use for feed, food, or oil purposes.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires the following statement on containers of seeds treated for Export Use with Maxim 025FS:

- **TREATED SEED FOR EXPORT ONLY – NOT FOR DOMESTIC SALE OR USE IN THE UNITED STATES.**

EXPORTER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING SEED CONTAINER LABEL REQUIREMENTS IN COUNTRY OF DESTINATION OR USE. MAXIMUM USE RATES SPECIFIED ON THIS LABEL MUST NOT BE EXCEEDED.

9.0 SEED TREATMENT DIRECTIONS

9.1 Export Use

Sunflower – Export Use

Target Disease	Use Rate (fl oz/100 lb seed) ¹	Use Rate (mg ai/seed) ^{1,2}	Use Information
Seed Decay, Damping-off, and Seedling Blight	5.5 – 9.2	0.009 – 0.015	¹ Verify Actual Registered Rate in Country of Destination or Use. ² Based on an average seed weight of 4,500 sunflower seeds/lb. If treating seeds with a different average seed weight, recalculate the appropriate mg ai/seed rate.
Resistance Management Recommendations:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to Section 3.1. 			
Additional Use Directions			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verify the Actual Registered Rate in Country of Destination or Use. However, Maximum Use Rates Specified on This Label Must Not Be Exceeded. 			

10.0 STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

Pesticide Storage

Store in the original container and only in a cool, dry, secure place.

For minor spills, leaks, etc., follow all precautions indicated on this label and clean up immediately. Take special care to avoid contamination of equipment and facilities during cleanup procedures and disposal of wastes.

Pesticide Disposal

Wastes resulting from the use of this product must be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste Representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

Container Handling (less than or equal to 5 gallons)

Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Triple rinse as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container $\frac{1}{4}$ full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

Container Handling (greater than 5 gallons)

Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Triple rinse as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container $\frac{1}{4}$ full with water. Replace and tighten closures. Tip container on its side and roll it back and forth, ensuring at least one complete revolution, for 30 seconds. Stand the container on its end and tip it back and forth several times. Turn the container over onto its other end and tip it back and forth several times. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

Container Handling (greater than 5 gallons)

Refillable container. Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not reuse this container for any other purpose. Cleaning the container before final disposal is the

responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the person refilling. To clean container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container about 10 percent full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Pour or pump rinsate into application equipment or rinsate collection system. Repeat this rinsing procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

CONTAINER IS NOT SAFE FOR FOOD, FEED, OR DRINKING WATER

11.0 CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY

NOTICE: Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, LLC or Seller. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold SYNGENTA and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

SYNGENTA warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above, when used in accordance with directions under normal use conditions. To the extent permitted by applicable law: (1) this warranty does not extend to the use of the product contrary to label instructions, or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to or beyond the control of Seller or SYNGENTA, and (2) Buyer and User assume the risk of any such use. **TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SYNGENTA MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY EXCEPT AS WARRANTED BY THIS LABEL.**

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