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Subject: Label Amendment - Registration Review Mitigation for Bifenthrin
Product Name: Home Defense MAX Perimeter Insect Killer Aerosol
EPA Registration Number: 239-2696
Case Number: 480597
Application Dates: 2/18/2021

Dear Chris Zemanek:

The Agency, in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, has completed reviewing all the information submitted with your application to support the Registration Review of the above referenced product in connection with the Bifenthrin Interim Decision, and has concluded that your submission is acceptable. The label referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under FIFRA, as amended, is acceptable.

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 Assurance.

A stamped copy of your labeling is enclosed for your records. This labeling supersedes all previously accepted labeling and must be used at your next label printing. You must

submit one copy of the final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment with the new labeling. In accordance with 40 CFR 152.130(c), you may distribute or sell this product under the previously approved labeling for 12 months from the date of this letter. After 12 months, you may only distribute or sell this product if it bears this new revised labeling or subsequently approved labeling. "To distribute or sell" is defined under FIFRA section 2(gg) and its implementing regulation at 40 CFR 152.3.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Samantha Thomas by phone at 202-566-2368, or via email at thomas.samantha@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cathryn Britton".

Cathryn Britton
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Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (7508M)
Office of Pesticide Programs

ENCLOSURE: Stamped label

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EPA Reg. No. 239-2696

Home Defense Max[®] Perimeter Insect Killer Aerosol

Alternate Brand Names

Ortho[®] Home Defense Max[®] Ant & Roach Killer
Ortho[®] Home Defense Max[®] Ant, Roach & Spider Killer
Ortho[®] Home Defense Max[®] Indoor & Perimeter Insect Killer

For both indoor and outdoor use. / For indoor use only. / For outdoor use only./For residential use only

ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Bifenthrin*	0.05%
OTHER INGREDIENTS	<u>99.95%</u>
TOTAL	100.00%

*Cis isomers 97% minimum, Trans isomers 3% maximum

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

See back panel for additional precautionary statements.

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ACCEPTED

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Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide
and Rodenticide Act as amended, for the
pesticide registered under
EPA Reg. No. 239-2696

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This pesticide is extremely toxic to fish and aquatic invertebrates. Drift and run-off from treated areas may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in neighboring areas. To protect the environment, do not allow pesticide to enter or run off into storm drains, drainage ditches, gutters or surface waters. -Applying this product in calm weather when rain is not predicted for the next 24 hours will help to ensure that wind or rain does not blow or wash pesticide off the treatment area.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Contents under pressure. Do not use or store near heat or open flame. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Exposure to temperatures above 130°F may cause bursting. Do not apply this product around electrical equipment due to the possibility of shock hazard.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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



Do not allow to enter indoor or outdoor drains. No permita la entrada a desagües internos o externos. Follow proper disposal procedures on this label. Siga las indicaciones del etiquetado para el desecho apropiado del producto.

[OUTDOORS]

All outdoor spray applications must be limited to spot or crack-and-crevice treatments only, except for the following permitted uses:

1. Applications to underside of eaves, soffits, doors, or windows permanently protected from rainfall by a covering, overhang, awning, or other structure;
 2. Applications around potential exterior pest entry points into man-made structures such as doorways and windows, when limited to a band not to exceed one inch;
 3. Applications to vertical surfaces (such as the side of a man-made structure) directly above impervious surfaces (e.g., driveways, sidewalks, etc.), up to 2 feet above ground level;
 4. Applications to vertical surfaces directly above pervious surfaces, such as soil, lawn, turf, mulch or other vegetation) only if the pervious surface does not drain into ditches, storm drains, gutters, or surface waters.
- Spot treatments must not exceed two square feet in size (for example, 2 ft. by 1 ft. or 4 ft. by 0.5 ft.).
 - Do not spray the product into fish pools, ponds, streams, or lakes. Do not apply directly to sewers or storm drains, or to any area like a drain or gutter where drainage to sewers, storm drains, water bodies, or aquatic habitat can occur.
 - Do not allow the product to enter any drain during or after application.
 - Do not apply directly to impervious horizontal surfaces such as sidewalks, driveways, and patios except as a spot or crack-and-crevice treatment.
 - Do not apply or irrigate to the point of runoff.
 - Do not make applications during rain. Avoid making applications when rainfall is expected before the product has sufficient time to dry (minimum 4 hours).
 - Rainfall within 24 hours after application may cause unintended runoff of pesticide application.
 - Do not apply when the wind speed is greater than 15 mph.
 - Treat surfaces to ensure thorough coverage but avoid runoff.
 - To treat insects harbored in voids and cracks-and-crevices, applications must be made in such a manner to limit dripping and avoid runoff onto untreated structural surfaces and plants.

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Before you apply:

- Cover or remove exposed food [including pet food]
- Cover all food processing surfaces and utensils. Thoroughly wash with soap and water before re-use.

To apply:

- Shake well before using.
- Hold can about 18" from surface being sprayed.
- **Indoors:** Apply a 4" wide band in areas where insects are a recurring problem.
- **Outdoors:** Apply a 1" wide band in areas where insects are a recurring problem.
- Spray until surfaces are wet.

Indoors:

- Apply along baseboards, beneath and behind appliances, sinks, cabinets, in pantries, on floor coverings [including carpet, tile, linoleum and wood floors], around plumbing and garbage cans, in cracks and crevices in walls, around window frames and doorways, and in attics and basements. In pantries: Remove all items and clean thoroughly before applying.

Outdoors:

- Apply along the foundation, around window frames and doorways, on porches and patios, in garages, [and] along eaves and exterior siding.

Do not use as a room spray. Do not spray animals or animal bedding [or resting quarters].

After you apply:

- People and pets may re-enter treated areas after spray has dried. [icon]

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL[icon]

PESTICIDE STORAGE: Store in a cool, dry place.

PESTICIDE AND CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Do Not Puncture or Incinerate! **If empty:** Place in trash or offer for recycling if available. **If partly filled:** Do not pour or dispose down-the-drain or sewer. Call your local solid waste agency for local disposal options.

[NO CFCs icon]

[CONTAINS NO CFCs WHICH DEplete THE OZONE LAYER

Federal regulations prohibit CFC propellants in aerosols.]

[phone icon]

Questions, Comments or Medical Information?

¿Preguntas, Comentarios o Información Médica?

1-800-225-2883

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Ortho & Your Environment – Your home and yard are places for family and pets to enjoy. That's why Ortho® products are designed with care to provide effective solutions to insect problems inside and outside your home. For best results please follow instructions for appropriate usage, storage and disposal.

NOTICE: To the extent consistent with applicable law, buyer assumes all responsibility for safety and use not in accordance with directions.

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†The ORTHO Guarantee

If for any reason you, the consumer, are not satisfied with this product, mail us your original proof of purchase to obtain a full refund of your purchase price.

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Manufactured for /Sold by

The ORTHO Group

P.O. Box 190, Marysville, OH 43040

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EPA Est. 58996-MO-1^A, 239-IA-3^B, 84064-IA-001^C, 085652-OH-1^D

Superscript is first letter of lot number

Part Number TBD

DOT 2Q

UPC CODE TBD

ITF Code TBD

[STEEL] Symbol

Made in USA

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OPTIONAL MARKETING CLAIMS

Non-Residual Claims

- Kills ***(any or all of the following insects)*** Ants (including Carpenter*and, Western Harvester), Beetles (including Asian Lady and Carpet), German Cockroaches, Crickets, Earwigs, Firebrats, Fleas, Moths, Pantry Pests, Scorpions (including Dune and Striped Tail), Spiders (including Black Widow, Hobo and Wolf) and Silverfish. * after 2 hours continuous exposure

General

- Continuous [Aerosol] Spray!
- Kills by contact!
- [icon] People and pets may re-enter treated areas after spray has dried

Water based product claims

- Water based [formula] [water droplet icon]
- Non-flammable
- Dries clean
- Dries clear
- Dries fast
- No oily residue
- No mess
- Does not stain [fabrics, floors, wood, surfaces]
- Non-staining
- Unscented
- Fragrance-Free
- Leaves no odor
- No sticky mess
- No lingering [chemical] odor
- Odor Free
- Odorless
- No odor
- No greasy residue [mess]

Residual Control claims

- Kills listed bugs inside. Keeps listed bugs out.
- Immediately forms [creates] [establishes] a [bug] [insect] barrier
- Kills listed insects [inside your home] [outside your home]
- Provides residual control against listed home invading insects
- Use in [kitchens], [garages], [basements], [attics] to keep listed bugs [listed insects] from entering your home
- Use in [kitchens], [garages], [basements], [attics] to kill listed bugs [listed insects]
- Kills [two] [2] ways [Dual Action]: 1) Kills listed insects [by contact and 2) Keeps killing even after spray has dried

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Barrier Claims (claims may appear on any or all label panel(s)):

- Immediately forms [creates] [establishes] a [bug] [insect] barrier
- [Creates] [Establishes] a [bug] [insect] barrier
- Create a bug barrier
- Create bug barriers
- Creates a barrier that [will kill] [kills] the listed bugs you have and help new listed bugs from coming [in] [inside your home]
- Enough to create [an] [one] entire bug barrier for the average 1800 sq. ft. home!
- Kills listed home invading pests/insects [with a bug barrier]
- Protect(s) your home from listed bugs
- Protect against [invading] listed bugs

5-Month Claims

- Keeps bugs away for up to 5 months indoors on listed insects[†]
- [One application provides] up to 5 month control indoors of listed insects[†]
- [One application] kills [bugs] [insects] up to 5 months indoors on listed insects[†]
- [One application] kills [listed ants, roaches [and spiders]] for up to 5 months indoors[†]
- Keeps listed ants, roaches [and spiders] away for up to 5 months indoors[†]

[†]*Up to 5 month control indoors on: Ants (including Harvester Ants, but excluding Carpenter Ants, Pharaoh's Ants and Foraging Fire Ants), Carpet Beetles, Crickets, Firebrats, Moths, Silverfish and Spiders on treated non-porous surfaces after 5 minutes continuous exposure to residues. 5 month control indoors on German Cockroaches after 30 minutes continuous exposure to residues. Beetles, Crickets, Firebrats, Moths, Silverfish, and Spiders on treated non-porous surfaces after 5 minutes continuous exposure to residues. 3 month control indoors on German Cockroaches after 30 minutes continuous exposure to residues.*

3-Month Claims

- [One application] [provides] control [indoors] on listed insects ^
- Keeps [bugs] [insects] away for up to 3 months [indoors] on listed insects^
- [Provides] up to 3 month control of insects [indoors] on listed insects^
- [One application] kills listed ants, roaches [and spiders] for up to 3 months [indoors] ^
- [One application] kills [bugs] [insects] up to 3 months [indoors] on listed insects^
- Keeps listed ants, roaches [and spiders] away [out] for up to 3 months [indoors] ^
- [One application] kills listed roaches [and spiders] for up to 3 months [indoors] ^
- Keeps listed ants, roaches [and spiders] away [out] for up to 3 months [indoors] ^

[^]*Up to 3 month control [indoors] on: Ants (including Western Harvester), Carpet Beetles, German Cockroaches, Crickets, Firebrats, Moths, Silverfish and Spiders on treated non-porous surfaces after 5 minutes continuous exposure to residues. 3 month control indoors on German Cockroaches after 30 minutes exposure to residues.*

Knockdown claims:

- Kills by contact [Guaranteed][†]

Area-related claims

- Consistent spray for maximum accuracy
- Consistent/even coverage
- Ideal for small areas [spaces]
- Use inside and outside your home!
- 16 oz treats [covers] 151 linear feet
- 16.5 oz treats [covers] 156 linear feet
- 17 oz treats [covers] 161 linear feet
- 17.5 oz treats [covers] 166 linear feet
- Treats [142] [146] [151] [156] [161] [166] linear feet!

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- Enough to create [an] [one] entire bug [treatment] for the average 1800 sq. ft. home!
- Use in [kitchens], [garages], [basements] [and] [attics].
- Use in [kitchens], [garages], [basements] [and] [attics] to kill listed [bugs] [insects].

Where to use/How to use claims

- Apply along [and behind] baseboards
- Apply along [behind] [and] [between] appliances
- Apply beneath [and behind] sinks
- Apply in other areas where insects [are often found] [often appear]
- Gets into cracks and crevices
- Gets to the places bugs hide
- Reaches where bugs hide
- Ready to Use
- You're [it's] always ready to spray
- Easy to use
- 1[One] touch spray
- Easy Spray [Applicator]
- The easy way to spray [Home Defense Max]
- Change the way you spray
- Use [Can be used] in [bathrooms], [kitchens], [family rooms], [pantry], [attics], [garages], [basements], [closets], [storage areas], and [bedrooms]

Other claims

- Guaranteed [results] +
- Kills listed ants [and many other listed pests [listed insects]!]
- Kills listed ants [and] roaches [and many other listed pests [listed insects]!]
- Kills listed ants, roaches [and] spiders [and many other listed pests [listed insects]!]
- No [more] tired hands
- No [more] hand fatigue
- Reduces hand fatigue
- Precise control for maximum accuracy
- Look inside [label] for special offer information!
- Also try Ortho Home Defense Max Perimeter & Indoor Insect Killer liquids [to kill home invading insects!] [to treat larger areas!]
- Go to [URL] now for a special offer! Offer subject to change or expiration.
- www.orthohomedefense.com

Spreading Characteristics

- [Get's into][Reaches] gaps behind baseboards and walls