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Subject: Label Amendment - Registration Review Mitigation for Ethephon

Product Name: Bayer CropScience LP /Base 250 Ethephon

EPA Registration Number: 264-511 Application Date: July 7, 2025

Dear Daljit Singh:

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 Ethephon 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

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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,
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Office of Pesticide Programs

**ENCLOSURE: Stamped label** 

# **BASE 250 Ethephon**

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

# DANGER/PELIGRO

**PRECAUCION AL USUARIO**: Si usted no lee ingles, no use este producto hasta que la etiqueta le haya sido explicada ampliamente. **PRECAUTION TO THE USER:** If you cannot read English, do not use this product until the label has been fully explained to you.

For <u>MEDICAL</u> And <u>TRANSPORTATION</u> Emergencies <u>ONLY</u> Call 24 Hours A Day 1-800-334-7577 For PRODUCT USE Information Call 1-866-99BAYER (1-866-992-2937)

# **FIRST AID**

IF IN EYES:	Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.
	Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.
	Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
IF SWALLOWED:	Immediately call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
	Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor.
	Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.
	Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
IF ON SKIN OR CLOTHING:	Take off contaminated clothing.
	Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.
	Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

For MEDICAL Emergencies Call 24 Hours A Day 1-800-334-7577.

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** Treat symptomatically. Consideration should be given to the possibility that overexposure to materials other than this product may have occurred. No specific antidote is available. Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

# ACCEPTED

09/10/2025

Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act as amended, for the pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No. 264-511

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

#### DANGER

### HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Corrosive. Causes irreversible eye damage and skin burns. Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Wear goggles or face shield. Wear protective clothing and rubber gloves. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

Do not discharge effluent containing this product into lakes, streams, ponds, estuaries, oceans or other waters unless in accordance with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and the permitting authority has been notified in writing prior to discharge. Do not discharge effluent containing this product to sewer systems without previously notifying the sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read entire label before using this product.

End users are authorized to remove tamper evident cables as required to remove the product from the container <u>unless</u> the container is equipped with one way valves and refilling or returning is planned. If this is the case, end users are not authorized to remove tamper evident cables, one way valves or clean container. See Container Disposal instructions under Storage and Disposal.

Base 250 Ethephon must be stored and used in ventilated areas only.

Only For Formulation Into an End-Use Plant Growth Regulator, for (1) The Following Use(s): Terrestrial food uses on: apples, barley, blackberries, cantaloupes, cherries (sweet and tart), coffee beans, cotton, cucumbers (hybrid seed production), grapes, peppers, pineapples, pumpkins (hybrid seed production), squash (hybrid seed production), sugarcane, tomatoes, walnuts and wheat. Terrestrial non-food uses on: grasses for seed production, golf courses (ONLY tees, greens, and fairways), ornamentals, tobacco (flue-cured) and mistletoe.

2) Uses for Which USEPA has Accepted the Required Data and/or Citations of Data that the Formulator has Submitted in Support of Registration and (3) Uses for Experimental Purposes that are in Compliance with USEPA Requirements.

# STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

### STORAGE

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. If container is broken or contents have spilled, follow all precautions and clean up immediately. Before cleaning up, put on full-length trousers, long-sleeved shirt, protective gloves and goggles or face shield. Soak up spill with absorbent media such as sand, earth or other suitable material and dispose of waste at an approved waste disposal facility.

#### PESTICIDE DISPOSAL

Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture, or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. Dispose of excess or waste pesticide by use according to label directions, or contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

#### CONTAINER DISPOSAL

Rigid, Non-refillable containers small enough to shake (i.e., with capacities equal to or less than 5 gallons)

**Non-refillable container.** Do not reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse or pressure 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 ¼ 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.

Pressure rinse as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and continue to drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Hold container upside down into manufacturing equipment or mix tank or collect rinsate for later use or disposal. Insert pressure rinsing nozzle in the side of the container, and rinse at about 40 PSI for at least 30 seconds. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip.

Offer for recycling, if available or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

Rigid Non-refillable containers that are too large to shake (i.e., with capacities greater than 5 gallons or 50 lbs)

Refillable container – Refer to Bottom Discharge Intermediate Bulk Container (IBC) or Top Discharge IBC, Drums, Kegs information as follows. Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not reuse this container for any other purpose. Contact your Ag retailer or Bayer CropScience for container return, disposal and recycling recommendations.

Bottom Discharge IBC (e.g. - Schuetz Caged IBC or Snyder Square Stackable)

End users are authorized to remove tamper evident cables as required to remove the product from the container and to pressure rinse the container with water to remove residual product contents. Pressure rinsing the container before final disposal is the responsibility of

the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. Empty the remaining contents from the IBC into application equipment or mix tank. Raise the bottom of the IBC by 1.5 inch on the side which is opposite of the bottom discharge valve to promote more complete product removal. Completely remove the top lid of the IBC. Use water pressurized to at least 40 PSI to rinse all interior portions. Continuously pump or drain rinsate into manufacturing equipment while pressure rinsing. Continue pressure rinsing for 2 minutes or until rinsate becomes clear. Replace the lid and close bottom valve.

#### Top Discharge IBC, Drums, Kegs (e.g.- Snyder 120 Next Gen, Bonar B120, Drums, Kegs).

End users are not authorized to not remove tamper evident cables, one way valves or clean container if refilling is planned. Triple rinsing the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To triple rinse the containers before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container at least 10 percent full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Rinse all interior surfaces. Pour or pump rinsate into manufacturing equipment. Repeat this procedure two more times.

#### **Refillable Containers**

Refillable container – Refer to Bottom Discharge IBC or Top Discharge IBC, Drums, Kegs information as follows. Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not reuse this container for any other purpose. Contact your Ag retailer or Bayer CropScience for container return, disposal and recycling information.

## Bottom Discharge IBC (e.g. - Schuetz Caged IBC or Snyder Square Stackable)

Pressure rinsing the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To pressure rinse the container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from the IBC into application equipment or mix tank.

Raise the bottom of the IBC by 1.5 inches on the side which is opposite of the bottom discharge valve to promote more complete product removal. Completely remove the top lid of the IBC. Use water pressurized to at least 40 PSI to rinse all interior portions. Continuously pump or drain rinsate into manufacturing equipment or rinsate collection system while pressure rinsing. Continue pressure rinsing for 2 minutes or until rinsate becomes clear. Replace the lid and close bottom valve.

# Top Discharge IBC, Drums, Kegs (e.g.- Snyder 120 Next Gen, Bonar B120, Drums, Kegs).

Triple rinsing the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To triple rinse the containers before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container at least 10 percent full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Rinse all interior surfaces. Pour or pump rinsate into manufacturing equipment or rinsate collection system. Repeat this procedure two more times.

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