

	U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Office of Pesticide Programs Registration Division (H75C5C) 401 "M" St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460	EPA Reg. Number: 432-1230	Date of Issuance: JAN 4 2001
		Term of Issuance: Conditional	
		Name of Pesticide Product: PROXY® Growth Regulator	

NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:
☒ Registration
Reregistration

(under FIFRA, as amended)

Name and Address of Registrant (include ZIP Code):
Aventis Environmental Science USA LP
95 Chestnut Ridge Road
Montvale, New Jersey 07645

Note: Changes in labeling 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 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.

Registration is in no way to be construed as an endorsement or recommendation of this product by the 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.

This product is registered in accordance with FIFRA sec. 3(c)(7)(A) provided that you comply with the following requirements.

1. Submit/cite all data required for the registration of your product when the Agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit data.
2. Make the following change to the label:
 - Revise the EPA Registration Number to read, "EPA Reg. No. 432-1230".
3. Submit one copy of your final printed label before you release the product for shipment.

If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA Section 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

Signature of Approving Official: 	Date: JAN 4 2001
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If you have any questions about this letter, please contact
John Bazuin at (703)305-7381.

Sincerely yours,

Cynthia Giles-Parker
Product Manager (22)
Fungicide Branch
Registration Division (7505C)

Attachments: Product label stamped "ACCEPTED"

PROXY® Growth Regulator

For Commercial Use Only. Not For Residential Use.

For use on Turf.

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Ethephon [(2-chloroethyl)phosphonic acid]*21.7%
INERT INGREDIENTS:78.3%

*Contains 2 pounds ethephon per gallon.

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EPA Est. No. 264-PA-01

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN DANGER PELIGRO

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle.
 (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

For **MEDICAL** And **TRANSPORTATION** Emergencies **ONLY** Call 24 Hours A Day 1-800-334-7577

For **PRODUCT USE** Information Call 1-800-334-9745

The use of this product for a variety of plant growth regulation uses is covered by United States and foreign patents including U.S. Patent 4,240,819. No license is granted to use this product in countries other than the United States or for any use not contemplated by this label. Liability for patent infringement may result from use or sale of this product outside the United States.

FIRST AID

IF SWALLOWED:	-Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. -Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. -Do not induce vomiting unless told by a poison control center or doctor. -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.
IF INHALED:	-Move person to fresh air. -If person is not breathing, call 911 or ambulance, and then give artificial respiration preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. -Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage. No specific antidote is available. All treatments should be based on observed signs and symptoms of distress in the patient. Overexposure to materials other than this product may have occurred.

Victims of severe overexposure, by inhalation, should be kept under medical observation for up to 72 hours for delayed onset of pulmonary edema. In a victim of overexposure by ingestion, careful gastric lavage is required due to the possibility of stomach or esophageal perforation. This material is an acid, but the use of alkaline substances to neutralize it is contraindicated.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

DANGER

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Corrosive: Causes irreversible eye damage. Wear safety goggles when handling. Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Avoid contact with skin. Do not inhale vapors, as this product will irritate mucous membranes.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants, waterproof gloves, shoes plus socks and protective eyewear.

Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product concentrate. Do not reuse them. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

User Safety Recommendations

Users should wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.

Users should remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash body thoroughly and change into clean clothing. The contaminated clothing should be washed before reuse.

Users should remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing. Wash the outside of gloves before removing.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

Do not contaminate water used for irrigation or domestic purposes. 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 when disposing of equipment washwaters.

Avoid spray drift to nearby crops, as this product will cause modifications in plant growth. Plant injury may result.

IMPORTANT: Do not apply PROXY® through any type of irrigation system.

Do not use this product for purposes other than those listed on the label.

Do not exceed the rate of PROXY® per acre per year recommended on this label.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

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 regulations. Read entire label before using this product.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

STORAGE

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

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL

Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL

Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by incineration or if allowed by state and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

GENERAL INFORMATION

For local recommendations on rates, spray volumes (gallons of water per acre), and spray equipment under varying temperature and rainfall conditions consult Aventis Environmental Science Representative for his experience with this product in your area.

USE PRECAUTIONS

DO NOT MIX PROXY® WITH AMMONIUM THIOSULFATE. SUCH TANK MIXTURES MAY RESULT IN FORMATION OF TOXIC FUMES.

Mix only the amount of spray you expect to use each day. Do not allow mixed solution to stand overnight.

Do not use PROXY® with additives other than recommended on this label.

Avoid spills of concentrated product on spray equipment.

IMMEDIATELY RINSE ANY SPILLS WITH PLENTY OF WATER AS PROXY® IS CORROSIVE.

EQUIPMENT CLEANING

Because of the acidic nature of this product, prolonged exposure to spray deposits will damage acrylic plastics, certain paints, and metals.

Rinse thoroughly all exposed acrylic-plastic materials and painted surfaces with a detergent and water within one hour after exposure to spray deposits.

TURF

Growth Regulator: An application of PROXY® slows the growth of turfgrasses thus reducing the required frequency of mowing and the volume of clippings collected.

Poa annua Seedhead Suppression: Foliar application of Proxy, to actively growing turf, at the labeled rate (5 fl. oz./1000 ft²) will provide suppression of *Poa annua* and white clover seedheads. Allow 2-3 weeks for maximum performance. Repeat applications should be made at the intervals specified in the chart for the desired turfgrass. Repeat application to predominately *Poa annua* or White Clover sites may be made at a 6-7 week interval. Follow other general recommendations and precautions on the label.

APPLICATION	SITES	RATE	SPRAY VOLUME
Turfgrass Growth Regulation and <i>Poa annua</i> and White Clover Seedhead Suppression: Apply to actively growing turf. It will require 7-10 days for PROXY® to act. Reapplication intervals: • Kentucky Bluegrass-7 wks. • Perennial Ryegrass-7 wks. • Tall/Fine Fescue-4 wks. • Bentgrass-4 wks.	Fairways, Roughs and Commercial Turfgrasses, including Bentgrass (Fairway cut), Kentucky Bluegrass, Perennial Ryegrass, Tall & Fine Fescue	5 fl. oz./1000 ft ²	0.5-4.0 gals/1000 ft ²

Use Limitations:

- Do not allow entry to treated areas until sprays have dried.
- For best results, apply with sprayer in sufficient volume of water to provide uniform coverage. PROXY® is foliarly absorbed.
- Apply only to actively growing turf, under favorable growing conditions, that is not going into a dormancy period. Do not treat turfgrass with poor root systems or growing under stress due to poor soil conditions, drought, and disease or insect damage.
- Do not apply to golf course greens.
- Use of spreaders/stickers with PROXY® is not necessary.
- PROXY® is an acidic product and prolonged exposure to spray deposits will damage acrylic plastics, certain paints and metals. Rinse thoroughly all exposed acrylic plastic materials and painted surfaces with a detergent and water within one hour after exposure to spray deposits.

Test tank mixes with other products on a small area before using widely.

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
In EPA Letter Dated:
JAN 4 2001

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

432-1230

LIMITED WARRANTY AND DISCLAIMER

The manufacturer warrants (a) that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label; (b) that this product is reasonably fit for the purposes set forth in the directions for use when it is used in accordance with such directions; and (c) that the directions, warnings and other statements on this label are based upon responsible experts' evaluation of reasonable tests of effectiveness, of toxicity to laboratory animals and to plants and of residues and upon reports of field experience. Tests have not been made on all varieties or in all states or under all conditions. THE MANUFACTURER NEITHER MAKES NOR INTENDS, NOR DOES IT AUTHORIZE ANY AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE TO MAKE ANY OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AND IT EXPRESSLY EXCLUDES AND DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

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