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Subject: Amendment - Revised First Aid Statements
Zoecon RF-318 Apistan Strip
EPA Registration No. 2724-406
Your submission dated June 18, 2002

Dear Ms. Huebl:

The labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, is acceptable, subject to the comments listed below.

- Under the "Precautionary Statements" section, please move the statements "Do not place strips...for confectionary purposes). to the "Directions for Use" section of your label. Delete the statement "Do not get in mouth."

A stamped copy of the label has been enclosed for your records. If you have any questions, please call Dr. William Sproat of my team at 703-308-8587.

Sincerely,

George T. LaRocca
Product Manager 13
Insecticide Branch
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Enclosure

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[] indicates optional statements

Zoecon® RF-318 APISTAN® Strip

EFFECTIVE

- For Control of Varroa Mites
- Protects Against Varroa Infestation
- Kills [Controls] Varroa, not the Honeybee
- Controls Varroa Mites that may transmit Foul Brood
- No-mess Application
- Easy-to-Use Strips

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
in EPA Letter Dated

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

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ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Tau-fluvalinate (CAS #102851-06-9)..... 10.25%

OTHER INGREDIENTS: 89.75%

Total 100.00%

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
CAUTION**

See back panel for additional precautions/directions

EPA Reg. No. 2724-406

EPA Est. No.

Contents: XXX strips

Net Weight:

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PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS - CAUTION: Do not get in mouth. Harmful if swallowed. Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling strip. Do not place strips in direct contact with combs containing honey intended for human consumption. After treatment, do not use beeswax for human consumption (including honeycomb, chunk honey, and wax for confectionary purposes).

FIRST AID	
If swallowed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 to do so by the poison control center or doctor.• Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-800-[phone number] for emergency treatment information.	

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to honey bees if bees are exposed to direct application. However, dried residues of this product are non-toxic to honey bees. Treat during non-foraging periods to minimize adverse effects.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE: It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its label.

Wear gloves (e.g., latex) when handling the strips. Just before application, remove the required number of **APISTAN**[®] Strips from the pouch. [To separate strips, hold firmly at corner, near tab, and pull along scored line, from top to bottom.] Unused strips should remain in original package.

Use one strip for each 5 combs of bees or less in each brood chamber (Langstroth deep frames or equivalent in other sizes). Hang the strips within two combs of the edge of the bee cluster. **APISTAN Strips must be in contact with brood nest bees at all times.** If two deep supers are used for the brood nest, hang **APISTAN** Strips in alternate corners of the cluster, in the top and bottom super. For best chemical distribution, use **APISTAN** Strips when daytime high temperatures are at least 50° F.

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FOR CONTROL

Remove honey supers before application of **APISTAN Strips** and do not replace until the end of the control period. For adequate control within a bee yard, treat all infested colonies within that yard.

Effective control may be achieved by treating hives [colonies] in the spring before the first honey flow and in the fall after the last honey flow. Do not remove strips from hive for at least 42 days (6 weeks). Do not leave strips in hive for more than 56 days (8 weeks). Honey supers may be replaced after strips are removed.

FOR DETECTION

Place white sticky paper below the frames (sticky side up). Place **APISTAN Strips** as per above instructions. At various intervals (up to 7 days), check for Varroa on withdrawn white, sticky paper from below the frames.

STORAGE and DISPOSAL: Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. **Storage:** Keep strips in original unopened package until ready to use. Do not store in direct sunlight. Do not store unused strips in anything but original package. Do not store unused strips near pesticides or other chemical substances that could contaminate the strips and result in bee toxicity. **Disposal:** Do not reuse strips. Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Seller makes no warranty, expressed or implied, concerning the use of this product other than indicated on the label. Buyer shall assume risks of use and handling of this material when such use and handling are contrary to label instructions.

For information or in case of emergency, call [phone number].

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