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NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:

Registration X Reregistration (under FIFRA, as amended)

Term of Issuance:

Reregistration

Name of Pesticide Product:

POCKET GOPHER BAIT **CONTAINING** STRYCHNINE 1-10 FORMULATION ON MILO

Name and Address of Registrant (include ZIP Code):

CERTIFIED MAIL

Ms. Irene Boone, CHMM Agent for R & M Exterminators, Inc. Regulatory Services, Inc. 17220 Westview Road Lake Oswego, OR 97034

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 reregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.

Registration and reregistration are 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.

Based on your response to the Reregistration Eligibility Document, EPA has reregistered the product listed above. This action is taken under the authority of section 4(g)(2)(C) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended. Reregistration under this section does not eliminate the need for continual reassessment of pesticides. EPA may require submission of data at any time to maintain the registration of your product.

Reregistration is subject to the terms and conditions indicated in this letter.

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Signature of Approving Official:

Date:

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Our specific comments on your submissions of June 16, 2002, and August 7, 2002, are listed below. As you requested, we considered the labels submitted on August 7, 2002 to be replacements for those submitted on July 16, 2002.

- 1. The Confidential Statement of Formula (CSF) dated "7-16-02" is acceptable. It describes the only formulation that may be used for this product.
- 2. In the "RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE" box, change "ORGANISM" to "ORGANISMS" to make the reason for restricted-use classification read "DUE TO HAZARD TO NONTARGET ORGANISMS". We apologize for the mistake in this regard in our letter of May 28, 2002.
- 3. Immediately below the "PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)" section, insert a space between the requirements for "Applicators and other handlers" (i.e., below "shoes plus socks") and the requirements that are to be followed "When loading more ...". Insert another space between the end of the "When loading more ..." directions (i.e., after the "NIOSH ... filter" line) and the paragraph that begins with "Follow manufacturer's instructions".
- 4. Insert a space between the two paragraphs of the "USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS" section.
- 5. Insert "waterproof' between "of' and "gloves" in the second sentence of the second paragraph of the "USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS" section. Cotton gloves should not be washed before they are removed.
- 6. In the "PESTICIDE STORAGE" subsection of the "STORAGE AND DISPOSAL" section, insert "original" between "in" and "container".

The label changes prescribed above must be incorporated onto the final printed label for this product. Submit one copy of the final printed label before releasing the product for shipment. Make sure that "POISON" and the skull and crossbones appear in red ink against a contrasting background.

This product is registered only for the control of northern pocket gophers (*Thomomys talpoides*). This organism is reported to occur in the following States: California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. These are the States where use of this product would be legal (if also registered with the individual States) and, therefore, the only States in which it should be sold.

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If these conditions are not met, this registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e). If you have any questions about this letter, contact Dr. William W. Jacobs by phone (703-305-6406), by FAX (703-305-6596), or by E-Mail (Bill Jacobs@epa.gov).

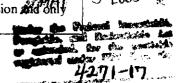
Sincerely yours,

Meredith Laws, Chief Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch Registration Division (7505C) Draft label- Front Panel

RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE

DUE TO HAZARD TO NONTARGET ORGANISM

For retail sale to and use only by Certified Applicators or persons under their direct supervision a for those uses covered by the Certified Applicator's Certification.



POCKET GOPHER BAIT CONTAINING

STRYCHNINE 1-10 FORMULATION ON MILO

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

DANGER



POISON

FIRST AID

IF SWALLOWED: CALL A PHYSICIAN OR POISON CONTROL CENTER IMMEDIATELY. If less than ten (10) minutes have passed since the poison was taken, give 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching the back of the throat with finger. Repeat until vomit fluid is clear. Have patient lie down in a quiet, darkened room and keep him warm and quiet. If person is unconscious, do not give anything by mouth and do not induce vomiting.

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.

IF IN EYES: Hold eyelids open and flush with steady, gentle stream of water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

- A. Administer 100% OXYGEN by positive pressure to provide as much pulmonary gas exchange as possible, despite seizures.
- B. Administer ANTICONVULSANT DRUGS intravenously to control convulsions. NOTICE: It may be difficult or impossible to stop the seizure activity without stopping respiration. Be prepared to maintain pulmonary ventilation mechanically. Tracheotomy may be necessary if seizures are prolonged.

FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS SEE BACK PANEL.

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Cheney, WA 99004

NET CONTENTS 25 LBS.

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PRECAUTIONAY STATEMENTS HAZARD TO HUMANS and DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER: Convulsive poison! Fatal if swallowed or inhaled. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Avoid contact with skin. Do not breathe dust. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact any person or pet. Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- -long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- -cotton gloves
- -shoes plus socks

When loading more than 3 lbs (1.4 kg) of bait into mechanical application equipment and when disposing of non-rigid containers (e.g., bags), handlers must wear:

- -long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- -waterproof gloves
- -shoes plus socks
- -goggles or face shield; and
- -dust/mist filtering respirator (MSHA/NIOSH approved number prefix TC-21C), or a NIOSH approved respirator with any N, P, R, or HE filter.

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

USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Users should remove clothing 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.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to fish, birds and other wildlife. Do not allow bait to be exposed on soil surface. 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 by cleaning of equipment, or disposal of wastes.

ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS

NOTICE: The killing of a member of an endangered species during strychnine baiting operations may result in a fine under the Endangered Species Act. Before baiting, the user is advised to contact the Regional U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Endangered Species Specialist) or the local Fish and Game Office for specific information on endangered species. Strychnine baits should not be used in the geographic ranges of the following species except under programs and procedures approved by the USEPA: gray wolf, grizzly bear, Morrow Bay kangaroo rat, salt marsh harvest mouse and San Joaquin kit fox.

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DIRECTIONS FOR USE

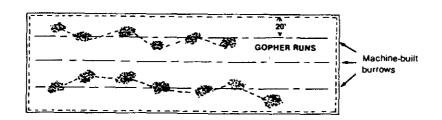
It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

USE RESTRICTIONS: This product may only be used in underground applications to control northern pocket gophers (<u>Thomomys talpoides</u>) in orchards, alfalfa fields, hay fields, pastures, rangelands, and noncrop areas. Bait must be applied directly into pocket gophers' underground tunnels or into artificial burrow systems using the methods prescribed on this label. Do not apply this product above the ground surface. Do not apply this product over food and feed crops. Pick up and properly dispose of spilled bait. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers, other persons, pets, or domestic animals. Keep pets and other people out of the area during application.

BAITING DIRECTIONS:

<u>HAND BAITING</u>: Remove burrow plug from the flat side of the burrow fan. Using a long-handled spoon, insert one teaspoon of bait into the main runway system. Close tunnel with soil in such a manner that soil will not cover bait. Depending upon the density of burrow systems, one pound of bait will treat one to eight acres.

ARTIFICIAL BURROW-BUILDER METHOD: When treating extensive areas, BURROW BUILDERS may be used. Follow manufacturer's instruction for the equipment used to apply gopher bait. Make sure that machine-built burrows intersect pocket gopher burrows at the depth at which gophers have been tunneling. For greater efficiency of treatment, machine-built burrows should intersect as many gopher runs as possible at right angles. Apply bait at rates of 1 to 2 pounds per acre, using a 20' to 30' row-spacing interval. Apply only when soil condition is proper to ensure formation of a good artificial burrow.



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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

PESTICIDE STORAGE: Store only in container, in a dry place inaccessible to children, pets and domestic animals.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spilled bait, or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. 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 DISPOSAL: Completely empty bag by shaking and tapping sides and bottom to loosen clinging particles. Empty residue into application equipment. Then dispose of bags in a sanitary landfill or by incineration if allowed by state and local authorities.

WARRANTY: Seller warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description of the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes referred to in the directions for use. Seller makes no other warranties, express or implied, including FITNESS or MERCHANTABILITY. In no case shall the Seller be liable for consequential, special, or indirect damages resulting from the use or handling of this product. The foregoing is a condition of sale by the Seller and is acceptable as such by the buyer.