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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Rebecca Clemmer
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Cerexagri, Inc.,
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King of Prussia, PA 19406

JUL 17 2002

Dear Ms. Clemmer:

SUBJECT: Topsin M 70 WP

EPA Registration Number 4581-403

Your label amendment submitted May 20, 2002 to add pears as a new

use.

The supplemental label for pears, referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, as amended is acceptable provided the following conditions are met:

- Submit the following study, which is required to support the use of thiophanate methyl on pears: OPPTS 875.2100 Foliar Dislodgeable Residue Dissipation for pears, due by November 2004
- Revise the label as follows:
- Add the phrase "Supplemental Label", at the top of the page.
- Add the following text immediately above the sentence beginning "Observe all applicable precautions ..."
   For crops without labeled uses of thiophanate-methyl, observe a 30-day plantback restriction.
- 3. In accordance with section 408 (b) (2) (E) (ii) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), because anticipated or actual residue levels are being relied on for apples, bananas, beans, cucurbits, peaches and strawberries, the Agency is requiring, pursuant to subsection (f) (1), that you provide, five years after the date on which the tolerance is established, modified, or left in effect, and thereafter as the Administrator deems appropriate, data demonstrating that such residue levels are not above the levels so relied on. If such data are not so provided, or if the data do not demonstrate that the residue levels are not above the levels so relied on, the Administrator shall, no later than 180 days after the date on which the data were required to be provided, issue a regulation under subsection (e) (1), or an order under subsection (f) (2), as appropriate, to modify or revoke the tolerance.

- 4. This label change must be incorporated into your main label at the next printing or by February 1, 2004, whichever comes first.
- 5. Submit one copy of your final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment.

A stamped copy of the label is enclosed for your records. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Jones of my staff by phone at (703) 308-9424 or by e-mail at jones.lisa@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Waller

Product Manager (21)

Fungicide Branch

Registration Division (7505C)

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Enclosure: Stamped label

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ACCEPTED with COMMENTS In EPA Letter Dated:

JUL 17 2002

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

4581 - 403

## **TOPSIN® M 70WP**

Thiophanate-methyl Fungicide

EPA Registration No. 4581-403

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE ON PEARS**

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

DISEASES	RATE LBS PRODUCT/ A	RATE LBS PRODUCT / 100 GAL.	DIRECTIONS .
Pear scab Sooty blotch Flyspeck Powdery mildew Fabraea leaf spot	1	1/4	Apply at 5 to 10-day intervals from green tip through petal fall; continue at 7 to 14-day intervals in the cover sprays.  Do not apply more than 4 lbs TOPSIN M (2.8 lbs ai)/A/season.  Do not apply within 1 day of harvest.  For pears only: do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 3 days unless appropriate PPE for early entry is worn.

Do not use TOPSIN M alone in a spray program. Use only in combination or in an alternating application program with a labeled nonbenzimidazole fungicide.

Observe all applicable precautions, restrictions, and limitations on the EPA-registered label. This label and the EPA-registered label must be in the possession of the user at the time of pesticide application.

Amendment 7/02