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WASHINGTON, DC 20460

OFFICE OF  
PREVENTION, PESTICIDES  
AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

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Bio-Lab, Inc.  
c/o Mark Jernigan  
P.O. Box 300002  
Lawrenceville, GA. 30049-1002

RE: Label Amendment Dated Jan. 30, 2008  
Product Name: BioGuard Smart Shock  
EPA Registration Number: 5185-493

Dear Mr. Jernigan:

The Agency has reviewed your submission submitted in accordance with continuing registration under the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, and determined the action to be acceptable with the following conditions:

- Delete the marketing language "BioGuard Guarding More Than Your Pool".
- Change the marketing claim "Sanitizer to kill bacteria" to "Sanitizer to control bacteria".

In summary, your amendment is conditionally acceptable. A copy of your stamped label is enclosed. Please submit a finished copy of your label for our files.

If you have questions concerning this letter, please contact Tom Luminello by telephone, (703) 308-8075, or by e-mail at [luminello.tom@epa.gov](mailto:luminello.tom@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Emily Mitchell".

Emily H. Mitchell  
Product Manager 32  
Antimicrobials Division (7510-P)

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{All text in brackets [xxx] is optional and may or may not be included on a final label.}  
{All text in braces {xxx} is administrative and will not appear on a final label.}

## BioGuard Smart Shock

[[Kills Algae], [Kills Bacteria], [Oxidizes], [Shock], [Clarifies], [UV Protected],  
[Sunlight Protected]]  
[[Shock], [Oxidizer], [Buffer], [Clarifier], [Flocculent], [Algicide], [Algistat]]  
[Oxidizer]  
[Shock]  
[Kills Bacteria]  
[Kills Algae]  
[Kills Bacteria and Algae]  
[Kills and Prevents Algae]  
[Kills Bacteria, Kills Algae, and Clarifies]  
[Kills Bacteria, Controls Algae, and Clarifies]  
[Suppresses Algae]  
[Fast Dissolving]  
[Fast Dissolving Shock Treatment]  
[Add directly to pool]  
[No Need to Pre-Dissolve][Maintains Brilliantly Clear Water]  
[Treat and Swim In As Soon As 15 Minutes\*]  
[Treat and Swim in 15 Minutes\*]  
[Treat In As Soon As 15 Minutes After Use\*]  
[Swim in 15 minutes\*]  
[Reduces the Need for Other Maintenance Products]  
[Do Not Mix With Other Products]  
[Treats 12,000 gallons] {Only to be used when sold in one pound units}  
[One pound treats 12,000 gallons]  
[Eliminates Unpleasant Odors]  
[Patented Oxidizer, Algicide and Clarifier]  
[Contains Blue Algicide Crystals]  
[Multi-Functional Formula]  
[Multi-Purpose Shock]  
[For use in all pool types] {This statement alerts consumer to the fact they may use this  
product in above ground, in ground, indoor, outdoor, plaster, vinyl, fiberglass pools}  
[Shocks, Clarifies, and Kills Algae]  
[Suitable for In-ground and Above-ground Pools]  
[Sunlight Protected] {Cyanuric Acid is a known UV light stabilizer for chlorine}  
[Blue Algae Killing Crystals]  
[Shock of choice for BioLab UV system]  
[Ideal for use with BioLab UV system]  
[Compatible with BioLab UV system]  
[BioLab UV system approved.]  
[Use Smart Shock with BioLab UV system]  
[Maintain] {Designates that this product is part of maintenance line of products}

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Under the Federal Insecticide,  
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act  
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## BioGuard Smart Shock

*{Optional Marketing Statement A}*

BioGuard Smart Shock [is Step 2 of the BioGuard 3 Step and Once-A-Week 3 Step Program.] {or} [is an important part of proper pool care.] {or} [is an important part of the BioGuard Care System] Weekly use of BioGuard Smart Shock keeps your water crystal blue and sparkling. Utilizing an advanced patented technology, [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] performs multiple functions:

- kills bacteria and algae [as well as prevents algae growth]
- oxidizes organic contaminants that cause cloudy water, musty odors and eye irritation
- clarifies the water using a filter enhancer
- buffers pH to provide brilliantly clear water with no cloudy residue and without increasing pH

This premium shock product is easy to use. Because it dissolves rapidly and is multifunctional, [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] works fast and effectively. Resume swimming in as little as 15 minutes.\* [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] provides the solution for brilliant, clear, and inviting pool water and is suitable for all pool types.

[BioGuard Smart Shock should be used weekly as a maintenance shock when using the BioLab UV system].

*{Optional Marketing Statement B}*

The BioGuard® Care System has three important parts that help you maintain crystal blue sparkling water.

- ☐ Sanitizer to kill bacteria
- ☐ Shock to destroy contaminants
- ☐ Preventative algacide to stop algae before it starts

All parts of the BioGuard Care System are vital to achieve beautiful water.

BioGuard Smart Shock is the preferred shock product for the BioGuard Care System. Weekly use of BioGuard Smart Shock keeps your water crystal blue and sparkling. Utilizing an advanced patented technology, [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] performs multiple functions:

- oxidizes organic contaminants that cause cloudy water, musty odors and eye irritation
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Resume swimming in as little as 15 minutes.\* [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] is suitable for all pool types.

[BioGuard Smart Shock should be used weekly as a maintenance shock when using the BioLab UV system].

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE:** It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read entire label and use strictly in accordance with precautionary statements and directions.

Make sure all pool equipment is working properly, including pump, filter, skimmer and heater. Backwash filter following manufacturer's directions. Check alkalinity, pH and calcium hardness with a test kit. Adjust alkalinity to 125 -150 ppm. Adjust pH to 7.4 – 7.6 by adding a pH decreaser or pH increaser. Adjust calcium hardness to 175-275 ppm. When using other products as outlined in directions for this product, always follow directions on those products.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** DO NOT pre-dissolve [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product]. As with other shock products, DO NOT apply through skimmer or chemical feeding device as other chemicals may be present which could result in a violent reaction.

**For routine maintenance:** With pump and filter running, broadcast 1 lb. of this product per 12,000 gallons of pool water, directly into pool. Brush any undissolved product off of pool surfaces. Wait at least 15 min. after product application before entering pool.\* Operate pump and filter continuously for 4 – 8 hrs after product addition. For best results, apply product weekly as part of your maintenance routine.

**For treatment of resistant algae:** First, establish a 1 – 4 ppm free chlorine residual in the pool. With pump and filter running, broadcast five pounds of this product per 12,000 gallons of water directly into pool. Brush any undissolved product off of pool surfaces. Wait 15 minutes, then apply 40 fluid ounces of Back Up® per 25,000 gallons of water. Follow application directions on Back Up label. Continuously circulate pool water for the next 24 hours. Afterwards, thoroughly brush pool surfaces. Prior to re-entry, test chlorine level. Do not re-enter pool until chlorine level is between 1 – 4 ppm. Chemically cleaning the filter is recommended 3 – 4 days after treatment.

**For treatment of light algae:** Vacuum leaves and any other foreign debris from pool. Brush visible algae thoroughly from pool's surface with a surface-compatible brush. Brush any undissolved product off pool surfaces. With pump running, broadcast 1 lb. of [BioGuard Smart Shock] {or} [this product] per 12,000 gallons of pool water, directly into pool water in areas of heaviest algae growth. Operate pump and filter continuously for 24 hrs. after product application. Afterwards, repeat brushing of pool surfaces. Do not enter the pool until the free available chlorine residual is 1-4 ppm. If necessary repeat the treatment.

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**\*TEST CHLORINE LEVEL PRIOR TO RE-ENTRY. RE-ENTRY INTO TREATED SWIMMING POOLS IS PROHIBITED ABOVE LEVELS OF 4 PPM CHLORINE DUE TO RISK OF BODILY INJURY.**

*{Storage and Disposal directions when product is sold in bags.}*

**[STORAGE AND DISPOSAL:** Keep this product dry in its original unopened bag until use. For partially used bags, fold over top of bag and secure with adhesive tape. Store unopened and partially used bags in a secure location away from children. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from heat or open flame. If product becomes damp, discard, following instructions for contamination under Physical or Chemical Hazards. **CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Offer for recycling if available. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying.]

*{Storage and Disposal directions when product is sold in bottles/pails.}*

**[STORAGE AND DISPOSAL:** Keep this product dry in original tightly closed container when not in use. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from heat or open flame. If product becomes damp, discard, following instructions for contamination under Physical or Chemical Hazards. **CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Offer for recycling if available. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying.]

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS:** DANGER: Corrosive: Causes skin burns. May be fatal if swallowed. Causes irreversible eye damage. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Do not breathe dust or fumes. Irritating to nose and throat. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some individuals. Wear protective eyewear (safety glasses). Wear protective clothing and rubber gloves. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling product and before eating, drinking or using tobacco. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

**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 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 an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. **IF SWALLOWED:** Call 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.

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**Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. [IN CASE OF MEDICAL EMERGENCY, CALL [1-303-623-5716] [1-877-800-5553] [telephone number supplied by supplemental registrant].]**

**Note to Physician:** Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

**PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS:** CONTAINS OXIDIZING AGENTS. Do not mix with other chemicals or any other substance. DO NOT pre-dissolve or add water to this product. Always apply directly into the pool. Contamination of this product with small amounts of water or other substances may start a chemical reaction and generate heat, hazardous gas, possible fire and explosion. In case of contamination or decomposition, do not reseal [bag] [container]. Isolate [bag] [container] in open air or well-ventilated area. Flood [bag] [container] and area with large volumes of water. In case of spills, scoop up and place product in pool water, then flood spilled area with large volumes of water.

*{Environmental hazards statement for end-use products in containers of less than 5 gallons (liquid) or less than 50 pounds (solid, dry weight).}*

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:** This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms.

NOTE: Buyer assumes all responsibility for safety and use not in accordance with directions.

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