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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Judy Oldham HELENA CHEMICAL CO. 6075 POPLAR AVE SUITE 500 MEMPHIS, TN 38119

Subject: Label Amendment Submission of 03/29/94 in Response to PR Notice 93-7 EPA Reg. No. 5905-507 WEED-RHAP LOW VOLATILE GRANULAR D HERBICIDE

Dear Registrant:

The labeling cited above and submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, is accepted. A copy of your proposed labeling stamped "ACCEPTED WITH COMMENTS" is enclosed.

#### WHAT THIS ACCEPTANCE MEANS:

Based on your certification, the Agency has accepted the labeling changes that are necessary to comply with the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) labeling requirements of  $4 \cup C^-R$  part 156, subpart K, described in PR Notices 93-7 and 93-11. Any other labeling changes submitted in connection with this amendment application but not directly related to compliance with the WPS have not been reviewed or accepted by the Agency. If you wish to make such changes, you must submit a separate amendment application proposing them. If your product is currently suspended, the acceptance of this labeling amendment does not affect the suspension in any way.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NEXT:

Send to EPA one (1) copy of the final printed labeling:

- BEFORE selling or distributing any product bearing the final printed labeling AND
- WITHIN one year from date of this acceptance.



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Submit the final printed labeling via the U.S. Postal Service to:

Document Processing Desk (FIN-LABEL) Office of Pesticide Programs (7505C) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 401 M Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20460-0001

Hand or courier del<sup>;</sup> pries of final printed labeling may be made to:

Document Processing Desk (FIN-LABEL) Office of Pesticide Programs Room 266A, Crystal Mall 2 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway Arlington, VA 22202

Sincerely, ..... Jim Tompkins, Deputy Chief

Registration Division (7505W)

Attachment

# WEED RHAP LOW VOLATILE GRANULAR D HERBICIDE

#### 2,4-D LOW VOLATILE

ACTIVE INGREDIENT:	
2-Ethylhexyl Ester* of 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid	28.4%**
INERT INGREDIENT:	<u>71.6%</u>
TOTAL	00.0%

\*\*Equivalent to 18.8% of 2,4-D AE by weight
Isomer specific by AOAC Method 6.275 (13th Ed.), 1980.
\*An isooctyl ester

#### KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

### CAUTION

See Side Panel for Additional Precautionary Statements.

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MANUFACTURED BY HELENA CHEMICAL COMPANY MEMPHIS, TN 38119 ACCEPTED with COMMENTS in EPA Letter Dated

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#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

### CAUTION

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. Harmful if swallowed. Avoid inhaling vapor or spray mist.

#### STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

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

IF SWALLOWED: Call a physician or poison control center. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching back of throat with finger. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

IF IN EYES: Flush with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

IF INHALED: Move victim to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if needed. Get medical attention.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Applicators and other handlers must wear.

Long-sleeved shirt and long pants Waterproof gloves Shoes plus socks Protective eyewear

If this container contains over 1 gallon and less than 5 gallons, mixers and loaders who do not use a mechanical system (probe and pump) to transfer the contents of this container must wear coveralls or a chemical-resistant apron in addition to the other required PPE.

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. After each day of use, clothing or PPE must not be reused until it has been cleaned.

#### **Engineering Controls Statements**

If this container contains 5 gallons or more in capacity, mechanical system (probe and pump) must be used for transferring the contents of this container. If the contents of a non-refillable pesticide container are emptied, the probe must be rinsed before removal. If the mechanical system is used in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4)], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

When handlers use closed systems, enclosed cabs, or aircraft in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(D)(4-6], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

#### USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Users should:

Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet. Remove contaminated 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

For terrestrial uses, 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 apply when weather conditions favor drift from target area. Spray equipment used in applying this product should be thorougily cleaned before using for any other purpose. Use repeated flushing with soap and warm water or suitable chemical cleaner. It is best to use a separate sprayer for application of insecticides and fungicides. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of washwaters. This product will kill or seriously injure many desirable forms of vegetation. Do not use when there is hazard from drifting inists. (Coarse sprays are less likely to drift.) Vapors from this product may injure susceptible plants in the immediate vicinity. Avoid contamination of water used for domestic purposes and irrigation purposes. Excessive amounts of this product in the soil may temporarily inhibit seed germination and plant growth.

This product is toxic to aquatic invertebrates. Drift or runoff may adversely affect aquatic invertebrates and nontarget plants. Do not apply directly to water except as specified on this label. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters.

#### **GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION**

Most cases of groundwater contamination involving phenoxy herbicides such as 2,4-D have been associated with mixing/loading and disposal sites. Caution should be exercised when handling 2,4-D pesticides at such sites to prevent contamination of groundwater supplies. Use of closed systems for mixing or transferring this pesticide will reduce the probability of spills. Placement of the mixing/loading equipment on an impervious pad to contain spills will help prevent groundwater contamination.

#### **CHEMIGATION PROHIBITION**

Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.

#### **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 of 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 regulation.

#### AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This Standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE) and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

Do not enter or allow entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.

PFE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water is:

Coveralls Waterproof gloves Shoes plus socks Protective eyewear

#### NON-AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

The requirements in this box apply to uses of this product that are NOT within the scope of the Worker Protection Standard for agricultural pesticides (40 CFR Part 170). The WPS applies when this product is used to produce agricultural plants on farms, forests, nurseries, or greenhouses. For Turf Sites (excluding sod farms): Do not allow people (other than applicator) or pets on treatment area during application. Do not enter treatment areas until dust has settled.

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

**PROHIBITIONS:** Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Do not store under conditions which might adversely affect the container or its ability to function properly.

**STORAGE:** Do not store below temperature of 00 F. If frozen, warm to 400 F and redissolve before using by rolling or shaking container. This product can be stored in an unheated building. Store in a safe manner. Store in original container only. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Reduce stacking height where local conditions can affect package strength. Personnel should use clothing and equipment consistent with good pesticide handling.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Pesticide wastes are toxic. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray

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mixture, or rinsate is a violation of Federal law and may contaminate groundwater. If these wastes' cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environnental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

**CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** Completely empty bag into application equipment. Then dispose of empty bag in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or, if allowed by state and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

This product can reach groundwater from improper handling. To minimize groundwater contamination from spills during loading, and cleaning of equipment, take the following steps:

Handling: When handling this product, wear chemical resistant gloves. Wash nondisposable gloves thoroughly with soap and water before removing. If spills occur, collect the material and dispose of by following disposal instructions on this label.

Cleaning of Equipment: When cleaning equipment, do not pour the washwater on the ground; spray or drain over a large area away from wells and other water sources.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Weed Rhap Low Volatile Granular D is formulated by impregnating selected mineral granules with low volatile 2,4-D ester, to minimize drift. The 8/16 and 15/30 mesh sizes are intended for use in the control of certain water weeds which infest lakes and ponds. The 24/48 mesh size is recommended for the control of certain weeds which infest turf grass and crops such as corn, strawberries, and cranberries.

Avoid application to susceptible plants, because this product may injure plants such as cotton, soybeans, tomatoes, beans, fruit trees, and ornamentals. DO NOT allow particles or dust to drift onto desirable crops or plants.

Although this product contains a low volatile ester, it should be used with caution where spreading vapors can damage nearby susceptible plants.

It is best to use separate equipment for applying 2,4-D granules. Should the same equipment be used for applying other materials, however, clean it thoroughly before such use to remove all traces of 2,4-D particles or dust.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

IN LAKES AND PONDS: To control milfoil, hornwort, bladderwort, fanwort, pondweed, cattail, and waterlilies infesting lakes and ponds, apply granules at the rate of 1 to 1-1/2 lbs. per 430 sq. ft. (10' x 43') of water surface or 100 to 150 lbs. per acre. Distribute the granules evenly over the quiet water surface infested with weeds, using a mechanical spreader attached to a boat. The granules cettle to the water bottom around the roots and stems. Effects on water weeds will be evidenced in 4 to 10 weeks and control may be expected for a year or longer. In tropical regions use 25 to 50 percent more granules. Consult your Public Water Agency before use.

**DO NOT APPLY** to more than 1/3 to 1/2 of a lake or pond in any one month, because excessive decaying vegetation may deplete oxygen content of water, thus killing fish.

ORNAMENTAL TURF such as lawns, golf courses, cemeteries, and parkways: To control wild onion and broadleaved weeds such as dandelion, plantain, ivy, bitterweed, and dogfennel, apply 10 to 15 lbs. of granules per acre in early spring when shoots are young and actively growing, using a mechanical spreader. Repeat application in one month to control skipped spots. Weeds over 6 inches tall are sometimes resistant and should be sprayed with Weed Rhap A-4D or Weed Rhap Low Volatile 4D.

#### NOTES FOR ALL TURF SITES: (excluding sod farms):

The maximum number of broadcast applications per treatment site is 2 per year.

DO NOT USE on bentgrass, St. Augustine grass, dichondra, carpetgrass, or newly plugged or seeded turf.

IN CORN: For pre-emergence application to aid control of annual grasses such as large and small foxtail, crabgrass, and barnyardgrass; and broadleaved weeds such as smartweed, sunflower, wild mustard, cocklebur, bindweed, dandelion, and morningglory, apply as follows: With a granule applicator designed to apply a band over the planted row, apply 3 to 3-1/4 lbs. per acre in a band 14 inches wide when rows are 42 inches apart. If the planting varies from this standard band width, or row separation, the granules should be applied proportionally. Be sure the granules are allowed to stay on top of the soil, preferably, they should be applied behind the packer wheel at planting time. Be sure the corn is planted 2-1/2 to 3 inches deep, as damage may occur to shallow planted corn. DO NOT apply on sandy soil. (For Corn Belt Only).

IN STRAWBERRIES: For pre-emergent application to control weeds such as crabgrass, foxtail, barnyardgrass or wintergrass, horseweed, bullnettle, carelessweed, morningglory, dock, smartweed, jimsonweed, and dandelion: Apply at the rate of 12 lbs. per acre over the planted area. Application should be made broadcast using a spreader-seeder previously adjusted to deliver 12 lbs. per acre. Application should be made only in the dormant season (after first fall frost or before new leafing in spring).

IN CRANBERRIES: For pre-emergent application to control annual broadleaved weeds in bearing cranberry marshes, apply at a rate of 10 to 20 lbs. per acre (2 to 4 lbs. 2,4-D equivalent per acre). Application should be made broadcast in the spring after removal of the winter flood from the dormant vines. Weeds controlled are common ragweed, sticktight, teathumb, smartweed, Northern Saint Johnswort, and common species of annual smartweed. Careful distribution of the granules is necessary if adequate control is to be obtained. Granules may also be distributed on ice over plants prior to spring thaw (for Wisconsin area).

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE - LIMITED WARRANTY AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY AND REMEDIES

The directions on this label are believed to be reliable and should be followed carefully. Insufficient control of pests and/or injury to the crop to which the product is applied may result from the occurrence of extraordinary or unusual weather conditions, the failure to follow the label directions, or good application practices, all of which are beyond the control of Helena Chemical Company (the "Company") or seller. In addition, failure to follow label directions may cause injury to crops, animals, man, or the environment. The Company warrant<sup>-</sup> that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purpose referred to in the directions for use subject to the factors noted above which are beyond the control of the Company. The Company makes no other warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, concerning the product, including no implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose, and no such warranty shall be implied by law.

The exclusive remedy against the Company for any cause of action relating to the handling or use of this product is a claim for damage and in no event shall damages or any other recovery of any kind against the Company exceed the price of the product which causes the alleged loss, damage, injury, or other claim. The Company shall not be liable and any and all claims against the Company are waived for special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages or expense of any nature, including, but not limited to, loss of profits or income.

The Company and the seller offer this product and the buyer and user accept it, subject to the foregoing conditions of sale and limitation of warranty, liability, and remedies.