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Date of Issuance:

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Term of Issuance:

Conditional

Name of Pesticide Product:

Clearigate

NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:

  X   Registration  
      Reregistration

(under FIFRA, as amended)

Name and Address of Registrant (include ZIP Code):

Great Lakes Biochemical Co.  
6120 W. Douglas Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53218

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.

sis of information furnished by the registrant, the above named pesticide is hereby registered/reregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.

Registration is 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.

This product is conditionally registered in accordance with FIFRA sec. 3(c)(7)(A) provided that you:

1. Submit and/or cite all data required for registration/reregistration of your product under FIFRA sec. 3(c)(5) when the Agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit such data; and submit acceptable responses required for reregistration of your product under FIFRA section 4.

2. Make the following label changes listed below before you release the product for shipment:

a. Add the phrase, "EPA Reg. No. 8959-51".

b. In the Environmental Hazards section delete "Do not discharge effluent.... Regional Office of the EPA". These statements are intended only for manufacturing use products and indirect discharge pesticides such as water cooling towers. Refer to PR Notice 93-10.

Signature of Approving Official:

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c. On the front panel replace "Applied Biochemists Inc" with "Great Lakes Biochemical Co."

3. Submit one (1) copy of your final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment. Refer to the A-79 enclosure for a further description of final printed labeling.

If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

A stamped copy of the label is enclosed for your records.

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Enclosure

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# CLEARIGATE

## ALGAECIDE/HERBICIDE

EPA Reg. No. 8959-

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FOR USE IN  
CROP AND NON-CROP IRRIGATION CONVEYANCE SYSTEMS  
DITCHES, CANAL, AND LATERALS;  
POTABLE WATER RESERVOIRS,  
LAKES;  
FARM, FISH, GOLF COURSE, INDUSTRIAL AND SWIMMING PONDS.

ACTIVE INGREDIENTS

COPPER AS ELEMENTAL ..... 3.825%\*

INERT INGREDIENTS ..... 96.175%

TOTAL ..... 100.00%

\* From Mixed Copper Ethanolamines in an Emulsified Formulation  
CLEARIGATE CONTAINS 0.31 LBS. OF COPPER PER GALLON

SEE SIDE PANEL FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**  
**DANGER**  
**STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT**

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

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

**IF SWALLOWED:** Call a doctor or get medical attention. Drink promptly a large quantity of milk, egg white, gelatin solution, or, if these are not available, large quantities of water. Avoid alcohol.

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

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage. Measures against circulatory shocks as well as oxygen and measures to support breathing manually or mechanically may be needed. If persistent, convulsions may be controlled by the cautious injection of a short-acting barbiturate drug.

NET CONTENTS \_\_\_\_\_ Gal. ( \_\_\_\_\_ Liters)

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MILWAUKEE, WI 53218

ACCEPTED  
with COMMENTS  
In EPA Letter Dated  
NOV 21 1977

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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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**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS  
HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS  
DANGER**

**CORROSIVE.** Causes skin burns, and irreversible eye damage. May be fatal if absorbed through skin. Harmful if swallow or inhaled. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wear protective clothing, protective eyewear, and rubber gloves. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling, and before eating, drinking, or using tobacco. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

Fish toxicity is dependent upon harshness of water. May be toxic to trout and other species of fish in soft water. Do not use in waters containing trout, koi, goldfish or other sensitive species if the carbonate hardness of the water is less than 50 ppm.

Avoid contact with drift to desirable plants or crops as injury may result.

Clean out application equipment after each operation.

Treatment of dense weed growth and algae blooms in static ponds and lakes can result in oxygen loss from decomposition of dead vegetation. This loss can cause fish suffocation. Therefore, treat only  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the dense growth at a time and wait one to two weeks between treatments.

Do not apply under conditions of high wind or wave action.

Some states may require permits for application of this product to public water. Check with local authorities.

Do not discharge effluent containing this product into lakes, streams, ponds, estuaries, oceans, or public waters unless this product is specifically identified and addressed in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Do not discharge effluent containing this product to sewer systems without previously notifying the sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the EPA.

**PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL HAZARDS**

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

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**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

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

**STORAGE:** Keep pesticide in original container. Do not store in a manner where cross-contamination with other pesticides, fertilizers, food or feed could occur. Store at temperatures above 32°F (0°C) away from heat or flame.

In the event of spillage during handling or storage, absorb with sand, clay or other inert material and dispose of absorbent in accordance with the pesticide disposal instructions listed below. For help with spill, leak fire or exposure involving this material, call ChemTrec (1-800-424-9300).

**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** This product is acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide spray mixture 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:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Do not reuse container. Incinerate, burn or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or dispose of by other procedures allowed by State and local authorities. If burned, stay out of smoke.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.  
**READ ENTIRE LABEL. USE STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS AND DIRECTIONS  
 AND WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS.**

### GENERAL GUIDELINES:

**CLEARIGATE** is a chelated copper formulation containing an emulsified surfactant/penetrant for highly effective control of coarse (thick cell-walled) filamentous algae, muscleginous (colonial) planktonic algae, chara and a variety of emergent, floating and submerged, aquatic plants. Vegetation controlled includes: *Cladophora*, *Pithophora*, *Lyngbya*, *Microcystis*, *Hydrilla*, *Pondweeds*, water milfoil, naiad and other species having a sensitivity to copper absorption in conjunction with a penetrant.

### FOR OPTIMUM EFFECTIVENESS:

Apply **CLEARIGATE** early in the day under bright or sunny conditions when water temperatures are at least 60°F (15.5°C).

Apply when growth first begins to appear or create a nuisance.

Apply in a manner which will ensure even distribution of product within treatment area.

Repeat application, as needed, if regrowth begins to appear and seasonal control is desired. Allow one to two weeks between consecutive treatments.

## STATIC WATER TREATMENT SURFACE SPRAY/INJECTION APPLICATION

For effective control, proper chemical concentration contact should be maintained for a minimum of three hours. Application rates in the chart below are based upon static or minimum flow situations in lakes, ponds, reservoirs and inactive irrigation conveyance systems or drainage systems. Where significant inflow occurs (greater than 10% of total water volume in 24 hours), it is recommended that flow be stopped for 24 hours during and following treatment. If this is not possible, treat inflowing water in accordance with Flowing Water Treatment instructions.

AQUATIC VEGETATION	DOSAGE	RATES	DILUTION	TREATMENT COMMENTS
TYPE OR SPECIES	PPM COPPER	GALLONS PER ACRE FOOT	% SPRAY SOLUTION V/V	
ALGAE				
Planktonic	0.1 - 0.5	0.9 - 4.4	1.5% - 5%	Apply lower dosage rates on light infestations. Use higher rates on heavy blooms and where algae masses are dumped and accumulated.
Filamentous	0.2 - 0.6	1.8 - 5.3	5% - 10%	Apply lower dosage rate on early season, light infestations or treatment of regrowth. Apply higher rates on surface mats and coarse species such as Pithophora, Cladophora, & Lyngbya.
Chara/Nitella	0.4 - 0.8	3.6 - 7.1	10% - 15%	Apply lower dosage on new infestations or early season growth. Apply higher rates on older, established calcified plants. Apply as close to top of plant growth as possible.
SUBMERSED PLANTS				
Egeria densa (Brazilian Elodea)	0.6 - 1.0	5.4 - 8.7	10% - 20%	Apply lower dose on early season, low density growth. Apply higher rates in thicker stands of plants. Product should be applied as close to the top of plants as possible. Underwater injection is recommended when plants are more than one foot below water surface.
Elodea canadensis	0.8 - 1.0	7.1 - 8.7	10% - 20%	
Hydrilla verticillata	0.4 - 1.0	3.6 - 8.7	10% - 20%	
Myriophyllum spp. (Water Milfoil)	0.8 - 1.0	7.1 - 8.7	10% - 20%	
Najas spp. (Naiad)	0.5 - 1.0	4.4 - 8.7	10% - 20%	
Potamogeton spp. (Pondweeds)	0.5 - 1.0	4.4 - 8.7	10% - 20%	
FLOATING PLANTS		GALLONS PER SURFACE ACRE		
Lemna spp. (Duckweed)	-	4.4 - 8.7	20% - 25%	Apply lower rates to shallow (less than 1 ft.) infestations. Use higher rates for large infestations in deeper water (1 ft. or greater) use a fine spray and wet plant thoroughly. Do not disturb with motor wake or paddles after treatment.
Eichornia crassipes (Water Hyacinth)	-	4.4 - 8.7	20% - 25%	

Select dosage rate based upon species/type of plants being controlled. Choose a dilution which will allow relatively even application throughout the intended treatment area with the type of equipment being used. Avoid drift by using coarse spray droplets applying close to the water surface and/or directing solution below the water surface through submerged hoses for treatment of submerged growth.

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## FLOWING WATER TREATMENT DRIP SYSTEM/METERING PUMP APPLICATION

Effective aquatic plant control in flowing water (canals, ditches, laterals, etc.) is dependent upon maintaining suitable contact time with sufficient chemical concentrations. Other factors to consider include: type of growth present, degree of infestation, water temperature and weather conditions during and following treatment.

1. Prior to treatment, it is important to accurately determine water flow rates. In the absence of weirs, orifices or similar devices which provide accurate water flow measurements, volume of flow may be estimated via the following formula:

$$\text{Average width (ft)} \times \text{Average Depth (ft)} \times \text{Velocity* (ft/sec)} \times 0.9 = \text{Cubic Feet per Second (CFS)}$$

\* Velocity is the time it takes a floating object to travel a given distance. Dividing the distance traveled (ft) by the time (seconds) will yield velocity (ft/sec). Repeat measurement at least 3 times at the intended application site and use the average of these measurements.

2. Calculate volume of ditch, canal, lateral or receiving pond in cubic feet based upon water levels at the time of treatment by using the following formula:

$$\text{Length (ft)} \times \text{Average width (ft)} \times \text{Average depth (ft)} = \text{Cubic Feet of Water}$$

3. Calculate turnover time (the amount of time it takes for the water in the system to be replaced by new water). Convert to hours using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Canal Volume (ft}^3\text{)}}{\text{Flow Rate (cfs)}} \times 3600 = \text{Turnover Time (hrs.)}$$

4. Select dosage rate from the chart below and calculate total Clearigate requirements by using the formula following the chart.

AQUATIC VEGETATION TYPE	PPM COPPER	DOSAGE RATE QT. PER CFS/HOUR*
PLANKTONIC ALGAE	0.1 - 0.5	0.3 - 1.4
FILAMENTOUS ALGAE	0.2 - 0.6	0.6 - 1.7
CHARA/NITELLA	0.4 - 0.8	1.2 - 2.3
SUBMERGED WEEDS	0.5 - 1.0	1.4 - 2.8

\* NOTE: Use higher dosage range in cooler water (60°F - 70°F), under conditions of heavy growth and/or on matured plant growth. Lower dosage ranges may be used on maintenance control treatments, young plants and/or under minimal growth conditions in warmer waters (> 70°F).

$$\text{Clearigate Required (qts)} = \text{Dosage Rate (qt/CFS/hr)} \times \text{Flow Rate (CFS)} \times \text{Turnover Time (hrs)*}$$

\* NOTE: If turnover time is less than 3 hrs., substitute 3 hrs. into this calculation.

5. For ditches, canals and laterals determine the number of drip/metering application sites required (based upon turnover time) by referring to the chart below.

TURNOVER TIME (hrs)	NUMBER OF DRIP/METERING SITES
Less than 4.5	1
4.6 - 7.5	2
7.6 - 10.5	3
10.6 - 13.5	4
13.6 - 16.5	5
Etc.	

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Sewage treatment ponds and other sites where water is stored for a calculated retention time and are fed by a single input source will require a single dripper/metering system. Inflowing water should be treated at the appropriate dosage rate from the chart in #4 for the duration of the entire turnover time calculated in #3.

6. Calculate distance between drip/metering sites by using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Canal/Ditch/Lateral Length (ft)}}{\text{No. of Drip/Metering Sites}} = \text{Distance Between Drip/Metering Systems (ft)}$$

7. Calculate amount of CLEARIGATE required per drip/metering site by using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Total CLEARIGATE Required (qts)}}{\text{No. of Drip/Metering Sites}} = \text{CLEARIGATE Required Per Site (qts.)}$$

8. Calculate drip/metering duration per site by using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{CLEARIGATE Required Per Site (qts)}}{\text{Dosage Rate (qt/CFS/hr)} \times \text{Flow Rate (CFS)}} = \text{Drip/Metering Duration (hrs) Per Site}$$

9. Calculate Drip/Metering Rate by using the following formula to convert to oz/min. or ml/min.

$$\text{Flow Rate (CFS)} \times \text{Drip Rate (qt/CFS/hr)} \times 0.533 = \text{Drip Rate (oz/min)}$$

\* NOTE: 0.533 is a constant used to convert qt/hr to oz/min.

$$\text{METRIC CONVERSION: Drip Rate (oz/min)} \times 29.57 = \text{Drip Rate (ml/min)}$$

Calibrate drip system, metering pump or similar dosage device to establish output rate determined in Step No. 9. This can be done using a watch with a second hand and a calibrated measuring cup, graduated cylinder or similar vessel.

If possible, calibrate all drip/metering devices prior to beginning actual treatment. Turn them on as simultaneously as possible, beginning with the device furthest upstream.

Begin with only the amount of product required at each site or record your start-up time and shut down drip/metering systems after the drip/metering duration time period determined in Step No. 8.

Remove containers from application sites following treatment. Triple rinse application equipment. Dispose of empty containers in accordance with container disposal instructions on this label. Partially used containers should be resealed with original closures and stored in accordance with storage instructions on this label.

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