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May 16, 1994

Mr. Wayne A. Young
Mammal Survey and Control Service
6148 S.W. Valley Avenue
Beaverton, OR 97005

Dear Mr. Young:

Subject: This Is The VAY Oat Bait for Pocket Gophers
EPA Registration No. 9691-30
Your Progress Report Dated March 8, 1994, and
Your Submission of March 20, 1994

Progress Report

We have reviewed your progress report for the period from December 10, 1993, to March 10, 1994. As noted in our letter of March 1, 1994, the requirements for Density and Storage Stability data already have been met for 9691-30. Consequently, quarterly progress reports for 9691-30 are no longer required.

Submission of March 20, 1994

The proposed revised label is acceptable provided the changes indicated below are made to on final printed labels.

1. The proper signal word for this product is "DANGER," followed by the skull and crossbones. On the right side panel of the label, under "KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN," replace "CAUTION" with "DANGER" followed by the skull and crossbones.
2. In item "B" of "NOTE TO PHYSICIAN," change "CAUTION" to "NOTICE:" so as to remove any apparent contradiction of the required signal word "DANGER."

CONCURRENCES							
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Submit five copies of the final printed label before you release this product for shipment.

Sincerely yours,

Robert A. Forrest
Product Manager 14
Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch
Registration Division (7505C)

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER: Convulsive Poison. Poisonous if Swallowed. Do not breathe dust. Do not contaminate feed and foodstuffs. Keep away from children, pets and domestic animals. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating or smoking. Clean clothing should be used daily.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to fish, birds, and other wildlife. Baits exposed on soil surface may be hazardous to birds and other wildlife. Do not apply directly to lakes, streams or ponds. 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: California Condor, San Joaquin Kit Fox, Aleutian Canada Goose, Morro Bay Kangaroo Rat, Gray Wolf, and Grizzly Bear.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal.
STORAGE: Store only in original labeled container, in a cool and dry place inaccessible to children, pets and domestic animals. Do not stack containers more than three high. Do not store directly on concrete floors or concrete walls. Avoid contamination of other pesticides, fertilizers, food and feed.
PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spilled bait, or residue 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, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. 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.

USE RESTRICTIONS

This product may be used on rangeland, pasture, cropland, and nonagricultural areas to control northern pocket gophers (*Thomomys talpoides*), southern pocket gophers (*T. umbrinus*), mountain pocket gophers (*T. monticola*), Camas pocket gophers (*T. bulbivorus*), valley pocket gophers (*T. bottae*), Mazama pocket gophers (*T. mazama*), Townsend's pocket gophers (*T. townsendii*), and plains pocket gophers (*Geomys bursarius*). Bait may be applied manually or by use of burrow-builder equipment.

Bait must be applied directly into underground systems. Do not apply this product above ground. Do not apply this product over food or feed crops.

BAITING

ARTIFICIAL BURROW BUILDER METHOD: Follow manufacturer's instructions for the equipment used to apply pocket gopher bait. Adjust torpedo depth to intercept main runways of natural burrow systems used by pocket gophers. Apply 1 to 2 pounds of bait per acre, spacing parallel artificial burrows 20 to 30 feet apart. Use this method only when soil condition is proper for formation of good artificial burrows.

HAND BAITING

Lateral Tunnels Method: Remove burrow plugs from the flat sides of fan-shaped pocket gopher mounds. Using a long-handled spoon, insert one teaspoon of bait into runway system. Close tunnel with soil. Do not permit soil to cover bait.

Probe Method: To locate main underground runways, use an iron bar, a commercial gopher probe, or other suitable implement and probe ground 6-12 inches away from pocket gopher mounds, starting on the flat side of the fan. When resistance on the probe decreases abruptly, probe as in main runway. Insert one tablespoon of bait through probe hole and cover opening securely with sod or a rock to exclude entry of light, taking care not to permit soil to cover bait. Treat each burrow system at 2-5 locations.

One pound of bait will treat 1 to 3 acres, depending upon the density of pocket gopher burrow systems.

This Is The Way OAT BAIT-FOR POCKET

Active Ingredient:

Strychnine Alkaloid.....

Inert Ingredients.....

Total.....

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

IF SWALLOWED: CALL A PHYSICIAN OR POISON CONTROL CENTER IMMEDIATELY. If (10) minutes has passed since person was taken, give 1 to 2 glasses of water, touching back of throat with finger. Repeat until vomit fluid is clear. Have person lie in a darkened room and keep him warm and quiet. Do not induce vomiting or give anything to an unconscious person.

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air. Apply artificial respiration if needed.

IF ON SKIN: Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected areas with soap and water.

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

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

A. Administer 100% OXYGEN by positive pressure to provide as much oxygen as possible, despite seizures.

B. Administer ANTICONVULSANT DRUGS intravenously to control convulsions. It may be difficult or impossible to stop the seizure activity without stopping respiration. Maintain pulmonary ventilation mechanically. Tracheotomy may be necessary.

SEE OTHER PANEL FOR OTHER PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Mammal Survey & Control Service
6148 S. W. Valley Ave.

Beaver

EPA Reg. No. 9691-30

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
in EPA Letter Dated

Net Weight lbs.

MAY 17 1994

BEST AVAILABLE

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

9691-30

2nd DRAFT revised label after
MSCS on Aug. 9, 1993, showing
EPA Reg. No. 9691-8, dated

Final label type size:

1. CAUTION - 18 pt.
2. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
3. STORAGE and DISPOSAL

Submitted to EPA:

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