



# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

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Subject:

Label Amendment Submission of 04/07/94 in Response to PR Notice 93-7

EPA Reg. No. 11220-4

Tri-Con 57/43

# 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 40 CFR 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.

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 deliveries 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 Support Branch Registration Division (7505W)

Attachment

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARD TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS:

# DANGER

EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS LIQUID AND VAPOR UNDER PRESSURE. INHALATION MAY BE FATAL OR CAUSE SERIOUS ACUTE ILLNESS OR DELAYED LUNG OR NERVOUS SYSTEM INJURY. DO NOT BREATH VAPORS. LIQUID OR EXCESSIVE VAPOR CAN CAUSE SERIOUS SKIN OR EYE INJURY WHICH MAY HAVE A DELAYED ONSET. DO NOT GET LIQUID ON SKIN, IN EYES, OR ON CLOTHING.

THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS CHLOROPICRIN WHICH MAY BE IRRITATING TO THE UPPER RESPIRATORY TRACT, AND EVEN AT LOW LEVELS CAN CAUSE PAINFUL IRRITATION TO THE EYES, PRODUCING TEARING. IF THESE SYMPTOMS OCCUR, LEAVE THE FUMI-EARLY SYMPTOMS OF GATION AREA IMMEDIATELY. CHLOROPICRIN OVEREXPOSURE ARE LACHRYMATION, RESPIRATORY DISTRESS AND VOMITING.

#### AIR CONCENTRATION LEVEL

The acceptable air concentration level for persons exposed to chloropicrin is 0.1 ppm-(0.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup>). The acceptable air concentration for persons exposed to methyl bromide is 5 ppm (20 mg/m³). The air concentration level is measured by a direct reading detection device, such as a Matheson-Kitagawa.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Applicators and other handlers must wear: Loose-fitting or well ventilated long-sleeved shirt and long pants

Shoes and socks Full-face shield or safety glasses with brow and lemple shields (DO NOT wear goggles).

When the acceptable air concentration level is above 5 ppm and a respirator is required, protect the eyes by wearing a full-face respirator.

No respirator is required if the air concentration level of chloropicrin in the working area is measured to be less than 0.1 ppm AND the air concentration level of methyl bromide in the working area is measured to be less than 5 ppm

A respirator is required if the acceptable air concentration level of 0.1 ppm for chloropicrin OR 5 ppm for methyl bromide is exceeded at any time. The respirator must be one of the following types: (a) a supplied air-respirator (MSHANNOSH approval number prefix TC-19C OR (b) a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) (MSHANNOSH approval number TC-13F).

Under normal soil furnigation conditions, the air concentration level of chloropicrin in the working area will not generally exceed 0.1 ppm AND the air concentration level of methyl bromide in the working area will not generally exceed 5 ppm. Therefore, no respiratory protection is required. However, there is the possibility of a spill or leak during soft fumigation. Therefore, a respirator of a type specified above must be available and will be required for entry into an affected area in the event of a leak or spill.

#### WORK SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Do not wear jewelry, gloves, goggles, light clothing, rubber protective clothing, or rubber boots when handling. Methyl bromide and chloropicrin are heavier than air and can be trapped inside clothing and cause skin injury.
 If liquid furnigant splashes or spills on clothing, remove them at once, as furnes will be

an intolerable source of irritation.

3. Immediately after contamination, remove outer clothing, shoes, and socks and do not reuse until thoroughly aerated or ventilated. Keep such clothing and shoes outdoors until thoroughly aerated. Then follow the PPE manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If there are no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hol water. Keep and wash PPE and work clothing separately from other laundry

4. Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product. Do not reuse them.

5. Follow PPE manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining protective eyewear

# **USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Users should:

- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using lobacco, or using the loilet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

# **OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS GENERAL PRECAUTIONS**

1. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Do not spill or discharge contents outside of areas confined for treatment.

Comply with all local regulations and ordinances.

- It is advisable to supply your physician with information on Chloropicrin and Methyl Bromide. Literature is available from your dealer or distributor.
- 5. Obtain medical assistance at once in case of illness after exposure, and do not allow conditions which could accidentally cause further exposure until recovery is complete. (See Note to Physician.)

See Precautions Continued In Third Column

# RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE **DUE TO ACUTE TOXICITY**

For retail sale to and use only by Certified Applicators, or persons under their direct supervision, and only for those uses covered by the Certified Applicator's certification.

# **TRI-CON 57/43** PREPLANT SOIL FUMIGANT

**ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:** METHYL BROMIDE CHLOROPICRIN **INERT INGREDIENTS:** 

57.0% 42.6%

**TOTAL** 

0.4%

This product weighs 14.4 pounds per gallon.

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

DANGER



**PELIGRO** 

PELIGRO: Si Usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alquien para que se la explique a Usted en detaile. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

# IN ALL CASES OF OVEREXPOSURE **GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.** TAKE PERSON TO A DOCTOR OR TO AN **EMERGENCY TREATMENT FACILITY**

#### STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

IF INHALED Get exposed person to fresh air. Keep warm. Make sure person can breathe freely. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Give oxygen if needed. Do not give anything by mouth to any unconscious person. Seek medical attention.

IF ON SKIN: Immediately remove contaminated clothing, shoes, and other items covering the skin. Wash contaminated skin area thoroughly with soap and water.

IF IN EYES: Hold eyelids open and flush with a steady, gentle stream of water for at least 15 minutes.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN: Early symptoms of overexposure are dizziness, headache, nausea and vomiting, weakness, and collapse. Lung edema may develop in 2 to 48 hours after exposure, accompanied by cardiac irregularities; these effects are the usual cause of death. Repeated overexposure can result in blurred vision, staggering gait, and mental imbalance, with probable recovery after a period of no exposure. Blood bromide levels suggest the occurrence, but not the degree, of exposure. Treatment is symptomatic.

See Side Panel For Additional Precautionary Statements.

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#### $^{\checkmark}$ PRECAUTIONS FOR SOIL FUMIGATION USE PRIOR TO FUMIGATION:

Comply with all local regulations and ordinances. Obtain an application permit from Agricultural Regulatory Agencies as required.

2. Never furnigate alone. It is imperative always to have an assistant and proper

protective equipment in case of accidents

3. Drivers of application equipment must advise other workers of all precautions and procedures. In addition, drivers must instruct their helpers in the mechanical operation of the tractor and how to safely work with the tractor and driver while fumigating,

4. Handle this furnigant in the open, with the operator "up wind" from the container where there is good ventilation.

5. Check furnigant pressure system for leaks before beginning operation.

- Two trained persons must be present during introduction of the fumigant.
   When fumigating soil from a tractor, 5 gallons of water must be carried on the tractor and placed where it is readily accessible. In addition to water available on the tractor, at least 5 gallons of additional water must be available from the service truck. This water must be potable and in containers marked "Decontamination water not to be used for drinking.
- 8. Field should be reasonably free of trash before starting the furnigation.

9. Post all treated areas with warning signs.

#### **DURING FUMIGATION:**

1. This furnigant should not be applied when there is an almospheric inversion. Since uncomfortable concentrations of chloropicrin may drift to nearby areas, immediately cover treated area with plastic tarpaulin for a minimum of 48 hours when the injection depth is less than 10 inches.

2. Do not lift injection shanks to turn at the end of a pass until furnigent has drained from

system following closure of shutoff valve.

3. If trash is inadvertently pulled by the shanks to the ends of the field when fumigating, it must be covered by lifting the shanks, then covering the trash with polyethylene film before making the turn for the next pass.

4. When changing the cylinders, be certain they are turned off and furnigant system is not under pressure. Do not open the system when there are people or structures downwind where exposures above the permissible exposure levels could occur.

#### AFTER FUMIGATION:

Keep pets, livestock, and other domestic animals out of the treated area during application, during the exposure period as specified for applications in Directions For Use, and during removal of tarpaulin. Two trained persons must be present during removal of the tarpaulin.

#### SPILL AND LEAK PROCEDURE.

in case of a rupture of hose or fitting while applying furnigant, immediately stop tractor and motor. Evacuate everyone from the immediate area of the spill or leak. Wear the personal protective equipment (including prescribed respirators) specified in the Hazards to Humans section of this labeling for entry into affected area to correct problem. Approach from upwind to make necessary repairs. Do not enter area without the required PPE until the spill has evaporated or the leak has been fixed.

Contaminated soil, water, and other cleanup debris is a toxic hazardous waste. Report spill to the National Response Center (800-424-8802) if the reportable quantity of 1000

bs. is exceeded.

#### NOTE CAREFULLY

Furnigation may temporarily raise the level of ammonia nitrogen and soluble salts in the soil. This is most likely to occur when heavy rates of fertilizer and fumigant are applied to soils that are either cold, well acid, or high in organic matter. To avoid injury to plant roots, fertilize as indicated by soil tests made after fumigation. To avoid ammonia injury and/or nitrate starvation to crops, avoid using fertilizers containing ammonium salls and use only fertilizers containing nitrates until after the crops is well established and the soil temperature is above 65 degrees F. Liming highly acid soils before furnigation stimulates nitrification and reduces the possibility of ammonia toxicity.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD**

This pesticide is loxic to wildlife. 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 an 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.

#### CHEMICAL HAZARD

Do not use containers or application equipment made of magnesium, aluminum, or their alloys, as under certain conditions this furnigant may be severely corrosive to such metals. Do not permit water to be used to clean furnigant pressure system as corrosion will result. Diesel oil is satisfactory for this purpose.

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

## STORAGE AND HANDLING:

Store in a secure manner either outdoors under ambient conditions or indoors in a well ventilated area. Post as a pesticide storage area. Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage. Persons moving, handling, or opening containers must wear the personal protective equipment (including prescribed respirators when necessary) specified in the Hazards to Humans section of the labeling. Open container only in a well-ventilated area. Store cylinders upright, secured to a rack or wall to prevent tipping. Cylinders should not be subjected to rough handling or mechanical shock such as dropping, bumping, dragging, or sliding. Do not use rope slings, hooks, tongs, or similar devices to unload cylinders. Transport cylinders using hand truck, fork truck, or other device to which the cylinder can be firmly secured. Do not remove valve protection bonnet and safety cap until immediately before use. Replace safety cap and valve protection bonnet when cylinder is not in use. When cylinder is empty, close valve, screw safety cap onto valve outlet, and replace protection bonnet before returning to shipper. Only the registrant is authorized to refill cylinders. Do not use cylinders for any other purpose. Follow registrant's instructions for return of empty or partially empty cylinder.

RETURN OF CYLINDERS: Cylinders are the properly of: TriCal, Inc.

TriCal, Inc. 8770 Highway 25 Hollister, ČA 95023

1029 Railroad Street Corona, CA 91720

and should be returned promptly by collect auto freight. Do not ship cylinders without safety caps or valve protection bonnets. When a cylinder is partially full and there is no further requirement for the product, contact TriCal, Inc. for return instructions.

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#### Storage and Disposal, Continued:

SHIPPING: This furnigant is classified in the U.S. Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations as Chloropicrin and Methyl Bromide mixtures, 2.3, UN 1581, Poison-Inhalation hazard, Hazard Zone B and no exemptions from specifications, packaging, marking, or labeling are allowed. Describe empty cylinders as having test contained Chloropicrin and Methyl Bromide mixtures (Inhalation hazard). Do not ship with foods, feeds, or clothing

DISPOSAL: Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Pesticide wastes are toxic. 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

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in any manner inconsistent with its labeling. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or 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.

# PLACARDING OF FUMIGATED AREAS

The applicator (or supervisor of the application) must placed at entrances to the fumigated area with signs bearing:

skull and crossbones symbol

"DANGER/PELIGRO"

- "Area under fumigation, DO NOT ENTER/NO ENTRE,"
- "Methyl Bromide and Chloropicrin Fumigants in use,"
- "the date and time of furnigation, and

"name, address, and telephone number of the applicator.

Do not allow entry by unprotected persons into the furnigated area until the signs are removed. Such signs must only be removed when the air concentration level of chloropicrin is measured to be less than 0.1 ppm AND the air concentration level of methyl bromide is measured to be less than 5 ppm. Signs must remain legible during the entire posting period. Warning signs are available from your dealer or distributor.

## AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR 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 in this tabeling about personal protective equipment, restricted-entry intervals, and notification to workers. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard (WPS).

No instructions elsewhere on this labeling relieve users from complying with the

requirements of the WPS.

ENTRY RESTRICTIONS, Outdoor Soil Fumigation: Entry (including early entry that would otherwise be permitted under the WPS) by any person—other than a correctly trained and equipped handler who is performing a handling task permitted on this tabeling—is PROHIBITED from the start of application until 48 hours after application. In addition, if tarps are used for the application, non-handler entry is prohibited while tarps are being removed

NOTIFICATION: Notify workers of the application by warning them orally and by posting furnigant warning signs, as described in the "Placarding of Furnigated Areas section of this labeling. Post the furnigant warning sign instead of the WPS sign for the sign for this application, but follow all WPS requirements pertaining to location, legibility, size, and timing of posting and removal. Outdoor Soil Furnigation: Post the furnigant warning signs at entrances to treated areas

PPE FOR ENTRY DURING ENTRY-RESTRICTED PERIOD:

PPE for entry that is permitted by this labeling is listed in the "Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals" section of this labeling.

SPECIMEN

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
In EPA Letter Dated

JUN 3 0 1994

Under the Federal Insceticide, Fundicide, and Rodenticide Act runuicitie, said modenticide Act as amended, for the pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No.

#### WARRANTY

NOTICE: Seller warrants that the product conforms to its chemical description and is reasonably fil for the purposes stated on the label when used in accordance with directions under normal conditions of use, but neither this warranty nor any other warranty of MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, express or implied, extends to the use of this product contrary to label instructions, or under abnormal conditions, or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to seller, and buyer assumes the risk of any such use.

CA APRIL, 1994

# GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

THIS FUMIGANT IS A HIGHLY HAZARDOUS MATERIAL AND SHOULD BE USED ONLY BY INDIVIDUALS TRAINED IN ITS PROPER USE. BEFORE USING, READ AND FOLLOW ALL LABEL PRECAUTIONS AND DIRECTIONS. ALL PERSONS WORKING WITH THIS FUMIGANT MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE HAZARDS, AND TRAINED IN THE USE OF REQUIRED RESPIRATOR EQUIPMENT AND DETECTOR DEVICES. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES, AND PROPER USE OF THE FUMIGANT.

GENERAL INFORMATION: This furnigant is a preptant soil furnigant for control of soil-borne pests as listed: Wireworms and nematodes, weed and grass seeds, granville will, blackshank, and other diseases caused by certain species of Rhizoctonia, Pythium, Fusarium, and Phytophthora. It is to be used in soil to be planted to the crops listed below.

SOIL PREPARATION: Prior to application, the soil should be in condition for planting and with sufficient moisture to support seed germination.

APPLICATION: Apply this furnigant by means of chisels spaced from 12" to 18" apart and at a depth of 6" to 8" below soil surface. To seal furnigant after application, cover with a gas-tight tarpaulin

#### DOSAGE TABLE - SOIL FUMIGATION USES

Land To Be Planted To:	Lbs. Per Acre
Strawberries	350 - 420
Tomatoes	350 - 420
Floral Crops	350 - 450
Nursery Crops	350 - 450
Plant & Seed Beds*	350 - 450

<sup>\*</sup> For production of replants or nonfood/feed crops. The nonfood/feed crops can not be used for human food or animal feed consumption.

<u>AERATION:</u> Remove tarpaulin after 48 hours. Allow the soil to serate for two weeks before planting. If odors of furnigant persist beyond this two-week period, diac or plow the soil to help seration.

