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Richard J. Otten  
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Dear Mr. Otten:

Subject: Revised Labeling - Add Use on Flue-Cured Tobacco;  
Delete State Listing  
Tamex 3EC  
EPA Registration No. 33688-4  
Your Submission Dated May 12, 1995

The labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, is acceptable with the following provisions:

- 1) Revise the oral statement in the Statement of Practical Treatment to read "IF SWALLOWED: Call a doctor or get medical attention. Do not induce vomiting. Drink promptly a large quantity of milk, egg whites, gelatin solution, or if these are not available, drink large quantities of water. Avoid alcohol."
- 2) Revise the eye statement in the Statement of Practical Treatment to read "IF IN EYES: Hold eyelids open and flush with a steady, gentle stream of water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention."

A stamped copy is enclosed for your records. Please submit one (1) final printed copy for the referenced label, incorporating the above changes, before releasing the product for shipment.

Sincerely yours,

Joanne I. Miller  
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Fungicide-Herbicide Branch  
Registration Division (7505C)

Enclosure

DK: 305-7546: FHB/PM23

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# TAMEX® -3EC

ACCEPTED  
with COMMENTS  
In EPA Letter Dated

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Under the Federal Insecticide,  
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act  
as amended, for the pesticide  
registered under EPA Reg. No.  
33688-4

For Control of Suckers on Tobacco

Net contents:

### COMPOSITION

Active Ingredient: (% by weight)

butralin [4-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-N-(1-methylpropyl)-2,6-dinitrobenzeneamine].....36.5%\*

Inert Ingredients: .....63.5%

\* butralin content = 3.0 pounds per U.S. gallon, or 360 grams per liter.

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**DANGER • PELIGRO**

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

### STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT

**IF SWALLOWED:** Promptly a large quantity of milk, egg whites, or gelatin solution, or if any of these are not available, drink large quantities of water. Avoid alcohol. Call a physician immediately.

**IF ON SKIN:** Wash skin promptly with soap and water.

**IF IN EYES:** Immediately flush with plenty of water for 15 minutes.

**IF INHALED:** Promptly move person to fresh air; call a physician.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

**DANGER**

**CORROSIVE. Severe eye irritant. Causes irreversible eye damage.** Due to corrosive nature, may be harmful or fatal if swallowed. Prolonged or frequent repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some individuals. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing.

**Applicators and Other Handlers Must Wear:** Long-sleeved shirt and long pants; chemical-resistant gloves; shoes and socks; protective eyewear when mixing, loading and applying this product.

Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product's concentrate. Do not reuse them. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

When handlers use closed systems or enclosed cabs in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4-5)], 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 clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to fish and aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Direct contamination of any body of water may kill fish and aquatic organisms. Do not contaminate water for irrigation or domestic purposes by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

Use coarse spray only, directed down tobacco stalk. Do not use fine sprays. Avoid drift to adjacent crops as injury may result.

### PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Do not use or store near heat or open flame. Do not store below 25°F.



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## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read all label directions carefully before use.

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

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.

### 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 worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.

PPE 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, chemical-resistant gloves, shoes plus socks, protective eyewear

### FOR USE ON TOBACCO GENERAL

TAMEX®-3EC is a plant growth regulator for control of suckers on flue-cured and burley tobaccos, including Maryland, dark, and cigar types. TAMEX-3EC is most effective when applied with ROYAL MH-30® or other maleic hydrazide products. Consult with your local Extension Service tobacco specialist for recommended treatments for your area. TAMEX-3EC mixes readily with water to form a yellow, creamy emulsion. If a spray mixture is allowed to stand several hours, agitate thoroughly before resuming treatments.

See APPLICATION NOTES below for additional important information.

### APPLICATION EQUIPMENT

TAMEX-3EC may be applied with motorized field sprayers equipped with nozzles that deliver a coarse spray. A three nozzle directed arrangement over the row, operating at 20 to 30 psi, delivers a coarse spray that runs down the stalk and wets suckers in the leaf axils.

TAMEX-3EC may also be applied to individual plants by using a hand-held dropline, knapsack sprayer or jug application.

### APPLICATION TIMING

Apply TAMEX-3EC alone or in a tank mix with ROYAL MH-30 or other maleic hydrazide product when tobacco plants are in the elongated button to early flower stage. Top leaves to be harvested should be at least 8 inches long at treatment time. All suckers greater than 1 inch long should be removed by hand prior to treating with TAMEX-3EC. Any suckers that were shielded and escaped treatment should be removed by hand two to three weeks after treatment. ON FLUE-CURED TOBACCO, apply TAMEX-3EC 5 to 7 days after the last fatty alcohol contact treatment. ON BURLEY TOBACCO, TAMEX-3EC may be applied just before or immediately after topping. Sucker control may not be consistent if tobacco plants within a field are not uniform when treated.

DO NOT HARVEST FIRST LEAVES FOR AT LEAST 7 DAYS AFTER TREATING FLUE-CURED TOBACCO AND AT LEAST 30 DAYS AFTER TREATING BURLEY TOBACCO.

### APPLICATION RATE

When using motorized sprayers or hand-held droplines, mix 2 to 4 quarts of TAMEX-3EC alone or in a tank mix with ROYAL MH-30 or other maleic hydrazide product at the labeled rate, in 50 gallons of water for each acre to be treated. Use the higher TAMEX-3EC rate in seasons when

sucker pressure is heavy. At this volume per acre, the amount of spray mixture per plant should be sufficient to run down the entire stalk contacting all leaf axils and sucker buds.

When applying TAMEX-3EC using the knapsack sprayer or jug method, mix 1.5 to 1.75 fluid ounces of TAMEX-3EC per gallon of water and apply about one-half fluid ounce of spray mixture per plant. One gallon of spray mixture should treat about 250 plants.

For all application methods, excess mixture should not be allowed to reach the ground line and puddle around the base of each plant.

### APPLICATION METHOD, BY TOBACCO TYPE

#### A. TANK MIXES OR SINGLE TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Before using any tank mix combination, carefully read and follow the label direction of all products used.

##### Flue-Cured Tobacco

To control suckers on flue-cured tobacco, begin with a standard fatty alcohol contact program. Five to 7 days after contacts, apply a tank mix of 3 quarts of TAMEX-3EC plus 1.5 gallons of ROYAL MH-30 (or other maleic hydrazide product at label rate) in 50 gallons of water per acre. Apply as a coarse spray to get rundown on the stalk.

##### Air-Cured Tobacco (burley, Maryland)

On heavy suckering varieties or when extended sucker control is desired, use a tank mix of TAMEX-3EC at 2 quarts plus ROYAL MH-30 at 1.5 gal/A (or other maleic hydrazide product at label rate) in 50 gallons of water per acre. Apply as a coarse spray to get rundown on the stalk. Apply within 24 hours after topping.

If TAMEX-3EC is used alone, apply 3 to 4 quarts in 50 gallons of water per acre, just before or immediately after topping. Apply as a coarse spray to get rundown on the stalk. Use the higher rate in seasons when sucker pressure is heavier.

##### Dark Tobacco

To control suckers on dark types, use 3 to 4 quarts of TAMEX-3EC in 50 gallons of water as a single application just before or after topping. Apply as a coarse spray to get rundown on the stalk. Use the higher rate in seasons when sucker pressure is heavier.

#### B. SEQUENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS

##### Flue-Cured Tobacco

WHEN APPLIED BEFORE MALEIC HYDRAZIDE TREATMENT: Apply 3 quarts of TAMEX-3EC in 50 gallons of water per acre at the elongated button to early flower growth stage. Apply as a coarse spray. Five to seven days later, make an application of ROYAL MH-30 or other maleic hydrazide product according to label directions.

WHEN APPLIED AFTER MALEIC HYDRAZIDE TREATMENT: Apply contact sucker chemicals, followed by ROYAL MH-30 or other maleic hydrazide product according to label directions. About 3 weeks later, apply TAMEX-3EC at 3 quarts in 50 gallons of water per acre. Apply as a coarse spray to get rundown on the stalk.

### APPLICATION NOTES

1. Use TAMEX-3EC and maleic hydrazide products only once per season, whether in combination or in sequence.
2. Rain occurring more than two hours after these treatments should not affect the effectiveness of TAMEX-3EC. Refer to labels of tank mix partner products for any additional rain-free precautions.
3. TAMEX-3EC is most effective when the spray contacts the sucker buds directly. In fields where tobacco plants are lodged or leaning, plants should be straightened prior to treatments, so spray mixture runs down the stalk evenly and contacts all sucker buds.
4. Applying treatments to wet plants, immediately after heavy rain or when there is heavy dew is not recommended.
5. Plants that are under drought stress when treated may not respond to sucker control products properly.
6. Applying treatments on windy days is not recommended, as sprays may not be deposited uniformly on the leaf axils and sucker buds.
7. Immature leaves that are less than 8 inches long at the time of TAMEX-3EC treatment may develop cupped or curled appearance.

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### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

**STORAGE:** Do not store near fertilizers, seeds, insecticides or fungicides. Store in original container only. After partial use, replace lid and close tightly. Store in a secure place that is temperate and dry. Do not store below 25°F. Do not store under conditions which might adversely affect the container or its ability to function properly.

**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** Pesticide wastes are 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: Plastic Containers:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Pressure rinse is preferred. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, by incineration, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**—Seller warrants that this product conforms to its chemical description and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated on the label when used in accordance with the directions and instructions specified on the label 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.

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