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Subject: Label Amendment – Changes Required by the Boric Acid and Copper Compounds

Amended Interim Registration Review Decisions

Product Name: Borax-Copper Hydroxide Wood Preservative Paste

EPA Registration Number: 54471-10

Received Date: 7/6/2022

Decision Numbers: 596323, 596307

Dear William Abbott:

The amended label referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, is acceptable. This approval does not affect any conditions that were previously imposed on this registration. You continue to be subject to existing conditions on your registration and any deadlines connected with them.

The Agency, in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, has completed reviewing all of the information submitted with your application to support the Registration Review of the above referenced product in connection with the Boric Acid and Copper Compounds Amended Interim Decisions, and has concluded that your submission is acceptable.

A stamped copy of your labeling is enclosed for your records. This labeling supersedes all previously accepted labeling and must be used at your next label printing. Pursuant to 40 CFR 156.10(a)(6) you must submit one copy of the final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment with the new labeling. In accordance with 40 CFR 152.130(c), you may distribute or sell this product under the previously approved labeling for 12 months from the date of this letter. After 12 months, you may only distribute or sell this product if it bears this new revised labeling or subsequently approved labeling. "To distribute or sell" is defined under FIFRA section 2(gg) and its implementing regulation at 40 CFR 152.3.

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Should you wish to add/retain a reference to the company's website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under FIFRA and is subject to review by the Agency. See FIFRA section 2(p)(2). If the website is false or misleading, the product would be misbranded and unlawful to sell or distribute under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR 156.10(a)(5) list examples of statements EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product's label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process, FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(B). Therefore, should the Agency find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains false or misleading statements or claims substantially differing from the EPA approved registration, the website will be referred to the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance.

Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions. If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Snyderman by phone at 202-566-0639, or via email at snyderman.megan@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Eric Miederhoff

Chief, Reevaluation Branch Antimicrobials Division

EPA Office of Pesticide Programs

Enclosure: Stamped Label

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Causes substantial but temporary eve damage. Harmful if swallowed. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Avoid contact with skin. Wear protective eve wear (goggles, safety glasses, face shield), long sleeved shirt, long pants, shoes, socks, and chemical resistant gloves (such as or made out of any waterproof material, selection category A). Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reaction in some individuals.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Applicators and other handlers performing in-service pole and tie treatment must wear long sleeve shirts and pants or wear coveralls over short sleeve shirts and short pants, impermeable gloves, work boots. and safety glasses.

All other applicants must wear long sleeve shirt and pants or coveralls over short sleeve shirts and pants, impermeable gloves, chemically resistant footwear and goggles or face shield.

USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

User should wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using the toilet. User should remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing. Users should 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

This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water by disposal or equipment wash waters.

Wood treatment facilities must take steps to prevent runoff of the product into the waterway. Treated material stored outdoors within 100 feet of a pond, lake, stream, or river must be covered, surrounded by a containment berm, or otherwise protected to prevent surface water runoff. The containment berm must be of sufficient height to prevent runoff during heavy rainfall events.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Use only with adequate ventilation. Close container after each use.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. **STORAGE:** Store product in original container only. Do not store with fertilizers, food and feed. Keep container closed when not in use. If product has been spilled or is leaking, remove the source of the spill or leak. Recover free liquid. Spread absorbent, then pick up and place in containers. Then where applicable, wash area with detergent and

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Wastes resulting from use of this product may be disposed of by applying them on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL:

Polyethylene liners and pouches are nonrefillable.

Plastic Containers: Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or incineration, or if allowed by state and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.



BORAX-COPPER HYDROXIDE WOOD PRESERVATIVE PASTE

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KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN WARNING **AVISO FIRST AID**

IF IN EYES: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. IF SWALLOWED: Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told by a poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

IF ON SKIN OR CLOTHING: Take off-contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-800-473-0179 for emergency medical treatment information.

Note to Physician: Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

For information on this pesticide product (including health concerns, medical emergencies, or pesticide incidents), call the National Pesticide Information Center at 1-800-858-7378.

See other precautionary statements on side panels

ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:

Copper Hydroxide*:(CAS 20427-59-2)	3.1%
Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate**	43.5%
Inert Ingredients	53.4%
TOTAL	100.0%

*Metallic Copper Equivalent 2.0% **Boric Oxide (B₂O₃) Equivalent 16.4%

MANUFACTURED BY: Copper Care Wood Preservatives, Inc. 41676 261 Avenue Humphrey, NE 68642 888-817-0131

Net contents marked on container.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its label.

This product is intended for the preservation of wood. Wood treated according to the following directions resists attack by decay and soft rot fundi, termites, carpenter ants, and wood boring beetles.

For utility poles, piling, posts, and other wooden structures standing in the ground, excavate the soil away from the structure to the depth of about 18 inches. Brush the surface to remove adhering soil and any damaged wood. Depending upon the degree of protection desired, apply from 1/16 to 1/2 inch of this product to the surface of the structure by spreading in a manner to achieve a consistent thickness from the bottom of the excavation to 3 inches above ground. Cover the treated surface with any contaminated packaging then with an impermeable wrap and back-fill around the structure. To treat internally decayed wood, inject this product into the affected area through drilled holes, then plug the drilled holes with tight-fitting wooden dowels. This product can be diluted with water if a less viscous solution is desired. To protect the ground line of poles, posts, and timbers before they are placed in the soil, apply this product in pouch packaging to the structure from 6 inches above to 12 inches below the anticipated ground level. Slit the pouch along the marked lines and press this slit side tightly against the wood, then staple to the pole, post or timber.

For cross-ties force 4.5 cubic inches of this product under the tie plate or apply 4.5 cubic inches to the tie plate area before the plate is put in place.

For untreated or insufficiently treated posts, poles, lumber, or timbers drill a hole or holes as near the sapwood portion of the wooden member as possible. These holes should be a maximum of 1 inch in diameter and of sufficient depth that the wooden member will be completely treated by diffusion. Posts are conveniently treated with the bark intact by drilling holes in both ends. The holes should be filled with this product to within 1/2 inch of the surface, then capped with impermeable plugs. Sufficient product should be used to achieve a retention of from 1 to 2 pounds per cubic foot.

For unseasoned wood which will be used under minimum leaching conditions, dissolve 1 to 2 pounds of this product in water then brush, dip, or spray with the diluted product. Deeper penetration and greater protection is achieved if an extended dip time is used and the boards are maintained in the unseasoned state for at least 2 weeks to allow for full diffusion.

For seasoned wood which will be used under minimum leaching conditions pressure treat using a full cell process to a retention ranging from 0.5 to 1 pound per cubic foot.

To protect wafer board from termites add this product to the wood wafers in conjunction with the wax emulsion addition. Use a level sufficient to produce a preservative treated board containing from 1.0% to 2.5% of this product by weight

To protect solid wood from termites apply this product to the surface of unseasoned, sawn or debarked structures. Shroud them in plastic wrap until the wood has absorbed 0.5 to 1.5 pounds per cubic foot of the applied wood preservative.

Residential use of this product is disallowed; except by commercial applicators.

ACCEPTED 09/10/2025

Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act as amended, for the Rev. 01/10/2025 pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No. 54471-10