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Dear Mr. Powell:

Subject:

Revised First Aid Statements

Monitor 4 Spray

EPA Reg. No. 59639-56

Your Application and Labeling of June 4, 2003

The labeling amendment referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, As Amended (FIFRA), is acceptable, provided that you:

Submit two copies of your final printed label incorporating the following corrections before you release the product for shipment.

1. Correct the front panel reference to the location of the additional precautionary statements by adding a reference to the first aid statements so that the statement reads as cited below.

See side/back panel for first aid and additional precautionary statements.

2. Due to the relative toxicity of methamidophos which is a potent cholinesterase inhibitor, it may be more prudent to get as much of the material out of the body as fast as possible. To this end, the previously accepted label contained instructions for inducing vomiting which were found to be acceptable for the subject product in our acceptance letter of August 3, 2003.

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It is understood that the front panel word, POISON appears in red on a contrasting background on the finished label.

If this condition is not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA sec. 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product bearing the amended label constitutes acceptance of this condition.

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

Sincerely,

Marilyn Á. Mautz

Biologist

Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch Registration Division (7504C)

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ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
in EPA Letter Dated:



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

59639-56

RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE DUE TO ACUTE DERMAL TOXICITY AND RESIDUE EFFECTS ON AVIAN SPECIES

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.

MONITOR® 4 Spray (INSECTICIDE)

Active Ingredient	By Wt.
*Methamidophos	40.0%
Other Ingredients	<u>60.0</u> %
Total	. 100.0%

*O,S-dimethyl phosphoramidothioate

Contains 4 pounds active per gallon at 68°F.

THIS PRODUCT MUST BE SOLD/DISTRIBUTED AND USED IN A DRY-COUPLING MIXING/LOADING SYSTEM.

[Red Skull & Crossbones Symbol]

DANGER - POISON

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).

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS.

NET CONTENTS 2.5 GALLONS

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PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS & DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER

Fatal if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through skin! Do not breathe vapor or spray mist. Rapidly absorbed through skin! Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

FIRST AID

(Methamidophos is an organophosphate, cholinesterase inhibitor)

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 to do so by the poison control center or dector.

Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

If inhaled:

· Move person to fresh air.

• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial

respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible.

• Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

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.

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 eye.

• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

HOT LINE NUMBER

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-800-892-0099 for emergency medical treatment.

NOTE TO PHYSICIANS

Methamidophos is a cholinesterase inhibitor. Measurement of blood cholinesterase activity may be useful in monitoring exposure. If signs of cholinesterase inhibition appear, atropine sulfate is antidotal. 2-PAM (Protopam) is also antidotal and may be used in conjunction with atropine but should not be used alone.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT(PPE):

Some materials that are chemical-resistant to this product are listed below. If you want more options, follow the instructions for category C on an EPA chemical resistance category selection chart.

Applicators and other handlers must wear: coveralls over short-sleeved shirt and short pants, chemical-resistant gloves, such as barrier laminate or butyl rubber ≥ 14 mils, nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils, neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) ≥ 14 mils, and viton ≥ 14 mils, chemical-resistant footwear plus socks, protective eyewear, chemical-resistant headgear for overhead exposure, chemical-resistant apron when cleaning equipment, mixing, or loading, and a respirator with an organic vapor removing cartridge with a prefilter approved for pesticides (MSHA/NIOSH approved number prefix TC-23C), or a canister approved for pesticides (MSHA/NIOSH approved number prefix TC-14G), or a NIOSH approved respirator with an organic vapor (OV) cartridge or canister with any N, R, P or HE prefilter.

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/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

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.
- 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 product is extremely toxic to birds and other wildlife. Birds and other wildlife in treated areas may be killed. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark.

This product is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment or residues on blooming crops or weeds. Do not apply this product or allow it to drift to blooming crops or weeds if bees are visiting the treatment area.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS:

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

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.

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 statements on this label about personal protective equipment(PPE), notification to workers, 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 48 hours.

Each 48-hour REI is increased to 72 hours in outdoor areas where average annual rainfall is less than 25 inches a year.

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 over short-sleeved shirt and short pants, chemical-resistant gloves, such as, barrier laminate or butyl rubber \geq 14 mils, nitrile rubber \geq 14 mils, neoprene rubber \geq 14 mils, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) \geq 14 mils, and viton \geq 14 mils, chemical-resistant footwear plus socks, protective eyewear, and chemical-resistant headgear for overhead exposure.

Notify workers of the application by warning them orally and by posting warning signs at entrances to treated areas.

DISCLAIMER, RISKS OF USING THIS PRODUCT, LIMITED WARRANTY AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

IMPORTANT: Read the entire Label Including this Disclaimer, Risks of Using this Product, Limited Warranty, and Limitation of Liability before using this product. If the terms are not acceptable THEN DO NOT USE THE PRODUCT; rather, return the unopened product within 15 days of purchase for a refund of the purchase price.

RISKS OF USING THIS PRODUCT

The Buyer and User (referred to collectively herein as "Buyer") of this product should be aware that there are inherent unintended risks associated with the use of this product which are impossible to eliminate. These risks include, but are not limited to, injury to plants and crops to which this product is applied, lack of control of the target pests or weeds, resistance of the target pest or weeds to this product, injury caused by drift, and injury to rotational crops caused by carryover in the soil. Such risks of crop injury, non-performance, resistance or other unintended consequences are unavoidable and may result because of such factors as weather, soil conditions, disease, moisture conditions, irrigation practices, condition of the crop at the time of application, presence of other materials either applied in the tank mix with this product or prior to application of this product, cultural practices or the manner of use or application, (or a combination of such factors) all of which are factors beyond the control of Valent. The Buyer should be aware that these inherent unintended risks may reduce the harvested yield of the crop in all or a portion of the treated acreage, or otherwise affect the crop such that additional care, treatment and expense are required to take the crop to harvest. If the Buyer chooses not to accept these risks, THEN THIS PRODUCT SHOULD NOT BE APPLIED. By applying this product Buyer acknowledges and accepts these inherent unintended risks AND AGREES THAT ALL SUCH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE APPLICATION AND USE ARE ASSUMED BY THE BUYER.

Valent shall not be responsible for losses or damages (including, but not limited to, loss of yield, increased expenses of farming the crop or such incidental, consequential or special damages that may be claimed) resulting from use of this product in any manner not set forth on the label. Buyer assumes all risks associated with the use of this product in any manner or under conditions not specifically directed or approved on the label.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Valent warrants only that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the label, under average use conditions, when used strictly in accordance with the label and subject to the Risks of Using This Product as described above. EXCEPT AS SET FORTH ABOVE, VALENT MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTIES, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED. No agent or representative of Valent or Seller is authorized to make or create any other express or implied warranty.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

In no event shall Valent or Seller be liable for any incidental, consequential, indirect or special damages resulting from the use or handling of this product. The limitation includes, but is not limited to, loss of yield on all or any portion of the treated acreage, increased care, treatment or other expenses required to take the crop to harvest, increased finance charges or altered finance ratings, emotional or mental distress and/or exemplary damages. THE EXCLUSIVE REMEDY OF THE BUYER, AND THE EXCLUSIVE MAXIMUM LIABILITY OF VALENT OR SELLER FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, INJURIES OR DAMAGES (INCLUDING CLAIMS BASED ON BREACH OF WARRANTY, CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE, TORT, STRICT LIABILITY OR OTHERWISE) RESULTING FROM THE USE OR HANDLING OF THIS PRODUCT SHALL BE THE RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THIS PRODUCT OR, AT THE ELECTION OF VALENT OR SELLER, THE REPLACEMENT OF THE PRODUCT.

PROMPT NOTICE OF CLAIM

Valent must be provided notice as soon as Buyer has reason to believe it may have a claim, but in no event later than twenty-one days from date of planting, or twenty-one days from the date of application, whichever is latter, so that an immediate inspection of the affected property and growing crops can be made.

If Buyer does not notify Valent of any claims, in such period, it shall be barred from obtaining any remedy.

NO AMENDMENTS

Valent and Seller offer this product, and Buyer accepts it, subject to the foregoing Disclaimer, Risks of Using This Product, Limited Warranty and Limitation of Liability, which may not be modified by any oral or written agreement.

TANK MIXES

NOTICE: Tank mixing or use of this product with any other product which is not specifically and expressly authorized by the label shall be the exclusive risk of user, applicator and/or application advisor.

Read and follow the entire label of each product to be used in the tank mix with this product.

DIRECTIONS

May be applied to potatoes by sprinkler irrigation system. Do not apply by chemigation to any other crop, or this crop using any other type of irrigation system.

USE DESIGNATED AMOUNT OF PRODUCT IN THE FOLLOWING GALLONS OF WATER PER ACRE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:

GROUND APPLICATION – 25 to 125 gals. water.

AIR APPLICATION - 3 to 10 gals. water.

CROPS	INSECTS	AMOUNT OF MONITOR 4 SPRAY PER ACRE	FURTHER USE DIRECTIONS	DAYS TO HARVEST
Cotton	Aphids (Early Season) Thrips (Early Season)	¹ / ₅ to ² / ₅ pt. (0.1 to 0.2 lb. active) per acre	Apply specified dosage (0.1 to 1.0 lb. active per acre) as needed. For Whiteflies, Fleahoppers, and when low rates are used for Aphids, a second application may be needed for heavy infestations. Do not feed gin trash to livestock or allow animals to graze on treated areas.	(and before bolls open)
	Fleahoppers	²/₅ pt. (0,2 lb. active) per acre		
	Whiteflies	0.5 to 1 pt. (0.25 to 0.5 lb. active) per acre		
	Aphids (Mid to late Season) Beet Armyworm Cabbage Looper Lygus Bugs (CA, AZ Only) Mites Thrips (Mid to Late Season)	1 to 2 pts. (0.5 to 1.0 lb. active) per acre		
Potatoes	Aphids Cabbage Looper Colorado Potato Beetle (except Long Island, NY) Cutworms (Foliage Feeding) European Corn Borer Flea Beetles Potato Tuberworm	1.5 to 2 pts. (0.75 to 1.0 ib. active) per acre	Apply in a 7 to 10 day preventive program or as necessary. Resistance to Colorado potato beetle has occurred in other areas. Consult your local extension service for details.	14
	Potato Leafhopper	1 to 2 pts. (0.5 to 1.0 lb. active) per acre		

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CHEMIGATION - POTATOES SPRINKLER IRRIGATION APPLICATION TO POTATOES:

This product may only be applied through sprinkler irrigation systems including center pivot, lateral move, end tow, side (wheel) roll, travelers, big gun, solid set, or hand move. Do not apply this product through any other type of irrigation system.

Crop injury, lack of effectiveness, or illegal pesticide residues in the crop may result from non-uniform distribution of treated water.

If you have questions about calibration, you should contact State Extension Service specialists, equipment manufacturers or other experts.

Do not connect an irrigation system (including greenhouse systems) used for pesticide application to a public water system unless the label-prescribed safety devices for public water supplies are in place.

A person knowledgeable of the chemigation system and responsible for its operation shall shut the system down and make necessary adjustments should the need arise.

The system must contain a functional check valve, vacuum relief valve, and low pressure drain appropriately located on the irrigation pipeline to prevent water source contamination from backflow.

The pesticide injection pipeline must contain a functional, automatic, quick-closing check valve to prevent the flow of fluid back toward the injection pump.

The pesticide injection pipeline must also contain a functional, normally closed solenoid-operated valve located on the intake side of the injection pump and connected to the system interlock to prevent fluid from being withdrawn from the supply tank when the irrigation system is either automatically or manually shut down.

The system must contain functional interlocking controls to automatically shut off the pesticide injection pump when the water pump motor stops.

The irrigation line or water pump must include a functional pressure switch which will stop the water pump motor when the water pressure decreases to the point where pesticide distribution is adversely affected.

Systems must use a metering pump, such as a positive displacement injection pump (e.g., diaphragm pump) effectively designed and constructed of materials that are compatible with pesticides and capable of being fitted with a system interlock. Do not apply when wind speed favors drift beyond the area intended for treatment.

Solid Set Systems: Apply specified dosage for the entire length of the irrigation period or for a 30 to 60 minute period at the end of a regular irrigation set or as a 30 to 60 minute injection as a separate application not associated with a regular irrigation. Allow time for all lines to flush the pesticide through all nozzles before turning off irrigation water. To ensure the lines are flushed and free of remaining pesticide, a dye indicator may be injected into the lines to mark the end of the application period. **See NOTE**.

Center Pivot Systems: Inject the specified dosage per acre continuously for one complete revolution of the system. See NOTE.

NOTE: Constant agitation must be maintained in the chemical supply tank during the entire period of insecticide application.

Inject the product with a positive displacement pump into the main line ahead of a right angle turn to insure adequate mixing.

Application of more than label recommended quantities of irrigation water per acre may result in decreased product performance by removing the chemical from the zone of effectiveness.

SPRAY DRIFT PRECAUTIONS

Observe the following precautions when spraying to avoid drift to off-target areas and unprotected persons:

- Do not apply under conditions involving possible drift to food, forage or other plantings that might be damaged or the crops thereof rendered unfit for sale, use or consumption.
- Do not apply within 150 feet by air or 100 feet by ground of an unprotected person or occupied dwelling.
- All aerial and ground application equipment must be properly maintained and calibrated using appropriate carriers.
- For aerial applications, the spray booms should be mounted on the aircraft so as to minimize drift caused by wingtip vortices. The minimum practical boom length should be used and must not exceed 75% of the wing span or rotor diameter.
- Use the largest droplet size consistent with acceptable pest control. Formation of very small droplets may be minimized by appropriate nozzle selection, by orienting nozzles away from the air stream as much as possible, and by avoiding excessive spray boom pressure.
- For aerial application, spray should be released at the lowest height consistent with acceptable pest control
 and flight safety. Application at more than 10 feet above the crop canopy should be avoided.
- Make aerial or ground applications when wind-velocity favors on-target deposition (approximately 3 to 10 mph). Do not apply when wind velocity exceeds 15 mph. Avoid application when wind gusts approach 15 mph.
- Low humidity and high ground temperatures increase the evaporation rate of spray droplets and therefore
 the likelihood of increased spray drift. Avoid spraying during conditions of low humidity and/or high
 temperature.
- Do not make aerial or ground applications during temperature inversions. Inversions are characterized by stable air and increasing temperatures with increasing height above ground. Mist or fog may indicate the presence of an inversion in humid areas. Applicators may detect the presence of an inversion by producing smoke and observing a smoke layer near the ground surface.

INTEGRATED PEST AND RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT

Local integrated pest management systems and resistance management strategies are available for controlling the pests on this label. Such systems include use of biological control agents, alternative chemicals and scouting. Consult your local Extension specialist or other agricultural advisor for further details.

POSTING

This sign is in addition to any sign posted to comply with the Worker Protection Standard. Posting of areas to be chemigated is required when 1) any part of a treated area is within 300 feet of sensitive areas such as residential areas, labor camps, businesses, day care centers, hospitals, in-patient clinics, nursing homes or any public areas such as schools, parks, playgrounds, or other public facilities not including public roads, or 2) when the chemigated area is open to the public such as golf courses or retail greenhouses.

Posting must conform to the following requirements. Treated areas shall be posted with signs at all usual ports of entry and along likely routes of approach from the listed sensitive areas. When there are no usual points of entry, signs must be posted in the corners of the treated areas and in any other location affording maximum visibility to sensitive areas. The printed side of the sign should face away from the treated area towards the sensitive area. The signs shall be printed in English. Signs must be posted prior to application and must remain posted until foliage has dried and soil surface water has disappeared. Signs may remain in place indefinitely as long as they are composed of materials to prevent deterioration and maintain legibility for the duration of the posting period.

All words shall consist of letters 2 1/2 inches tall, and all letters and the symbol shall be a color which sharply contrasts with their immediate background. At the top of the sign shall be the words KEEP OUT, followed by an octagonal stop sign symbol at least 8 inches in diameter containing the word STOP. Below the symbol shall be the words PESTICIDES IN IRRIGATION WATER.

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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

PROHIBITIONS

Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage, disposal or cleaning of equipment. Open dumping is prohibited.

STORAGE

Keep pesticide in original container. Do not put concentrate or dilute into food or drink containers. Not for use or storage in or around the home. Do not store next to feed or food, or transport in or on vehicles containing foodstuffs or feeds. Store in a cool, dry place. Protect from heat. For help with any spill, leak, fire or exposure involving this material, call day or night 1-800-892-0099.

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. Offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or dispose of by other procedures allowed by State and local authorities.

[OR The Following Statement Will Be Used On returnable Containers:]

CONTAINER REUSE

RETURNABLE CONTAINER: This container is a dedicated, single-product returnable container. Refili this container only with pesticide. Return empty container to seller or to location designated by seller as a collection point. Do not break seals, add anything to container or open container after use. Do not rinse or contaminate empty container. Do not dispose of empty container or use it for any other purpose.

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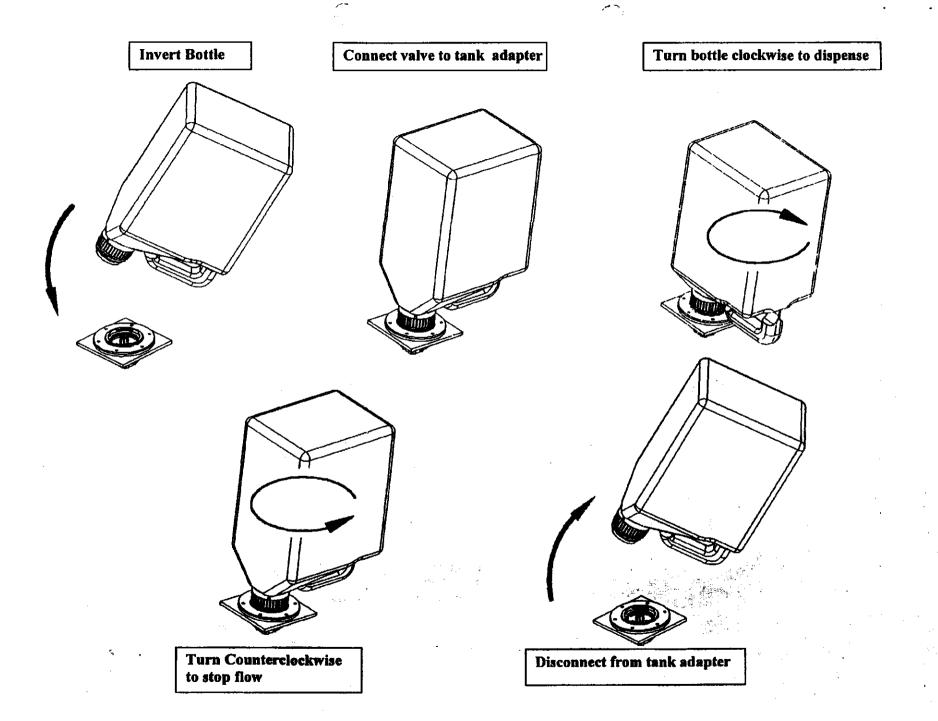
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