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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Ms. Julie Schlekau Federal Registrations Manager Registration & Regulatory Affairs Valent U.S.A Corp. 1101 14th Street, N.W., Suite 150 Washington, DC 20005

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Dear Ms. Schlekau,

Subject: Label Amendment Esteem Ant Bait EPA Reg. No. 59639-114 Submission dated October 22, 2008

The label amendment above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Rodenticide, and Fungicide Act, as amended, is acceptable. A stamped copy of the label is enclosed for your records.

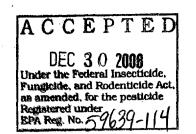
Please contact Kevin Sweeney, at (703) 305-5063 if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely.

Product Manager 10 // Insecticide Branch Registration Division (7505P)

Enclosure





GROUP 7C INSECTICIDE

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[MASTER LABEL]

ESTEEM[®] ANT BAIT (Insect Growth Regulator)

Active Ingredient			By Wt.
*Pyriproxyfen	 		0.50%
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*2-[1-methyl-2-(4-phenoxyphenoxy) ethoxy] pyridine

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

CAUTION

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[Sub Label 1]

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	FIRST AID
lf on skin:	 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.
lf 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 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 a poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE):

Applicators and other handlers must wear: long-sleeved shirt, long pants, waterproof gloves and socks plus shoes.

Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

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- 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 pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Drift and runoff from treated areas may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in neighboring areas. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters or rinsate.

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 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.

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NON-AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

The requirements in this box apply to uses of this product that are NOT within the scope of the Worker Protection Standard for agricultural pesticides (40 CFR Part 170). The WPS applies when this product is used to produce agricultural plants on farms, forests, nurseries or greenhouses.

For other uses, do not enter treated areas until any dusts have settled.

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

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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 TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, 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. To the extent consistent with applicable law AND 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

To the fullest extent allowed by law, shall Valent or Seller is not 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. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, 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

To the extent consistent with applicable law allowing such requirements, 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.

To the extent consistent with applicable law, 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, to the extent allowed by applicable law.

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

RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

For resistance management purposes, Esteem[®] Ant Bait is a group 7C insecticide. Any insect population may contain individuals naturally resistant to *Esteem* Ant Bait and other 7C insecticides. The resistant individuals dominate the insect population if these insecticides are used repeatedly. These resistant insects may not be controlled by *Esteem* Ant Bait or other 7C group insecticides, although local experts should be consulted for local resistance recommendations. The classification scheme is based on mode of action. It is recognized that resistance of insects and mites to insecticides and acaricides can also result from enhanced metabolism, reduced penetration or behavioral changes that are not linked to any site of action classification but are specific for individual chemicals or chemical groupings. Despite this, alternation of compounds from different chemical classes remains a viable management technique.

To delay insecticide resistance

- Avoid exclusive repeated use of insecticides from the same chemical subgroup.
- Integrate other control methods (chemical, cultural, biological) into insect control programs.

For further information contact your local distributor.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

Esteem Ant Bait is an Insect Growth Regulator similar to naturally occurring insect growth hormones which interfere with (stops) their growth or development. *Esteem* Ant Bait breaks the reproductive life cycle of the ants, causing starvation of the colony. *Esteem* Ant Bait is a slow acting, highly effective ant control product. Worker ants pick up the bait granules and take them back to the colony. Workers feed the bait to both the queen and the immature ants thereby preventing worker replacement. Due to degeneration of reproductive organs, the ant queen cannot replace workers. The lack of worker ant replacement results in colony death as the existing worker ants age and die. Within 3 to 4 weeks there is substantial colony mortality and within 8 weeks the majority of the colony population has been eliminated.

WHERE TO USE

For best results, follow directions for specific use areas.

- This product may be used in the following areas: Indoor and outdoor container or field grown ornamentals in commercial nurseries (including trees, shrubs, flowers, evergreens, foliage plants and ground covers); ornamental tree farms; conifers and conifer nurseries; sod farms.
- Bearing and non-bearing fruit and nut trees in commercial nurseries and tree farms.
- Residential/domestic sites, defined as areas associated with the household or home life; including, but
 not limited to, apartment complexes, condominiums and patient care areas of nursing homes, mental
 institutions, hospitals or convalescent homes.
- Uncultivated, non-agricultural areas, including airports, roadsides, highway rights-of-way, utility rightsof-way, campgrounds and industrial sites.
- Institutional sites defined as areas around properties or facilities providing a service to public or private
 organizations including, but not limited to, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, universities, colleges,
 museums, libraries, sport facilities, golf courses and office buildings.

PESTS	PRODUCT RATES PER ACRE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Ants Bigheaded Ant Imported Fire Ant Native Fire Ant Pavement Ant Red Imported Fire Ant Southern (California) Fire Ant	Broadcast 1.0 to 1.5 lbs Individual Mound Treatment 1 to 4 level Tbsps	 Broadcast or Aerial Application: Apply uniformly with ground or aerial equipment calibrated to give the correct dosage. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if needed. WHEN TO APPLY Apply <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait in the early Spring or Summer at the first sign of ant activity. Applications may be made any time of the day but are more effective when ants are actively foraging, usually when the soil temperature is above 60° F. Avoid application if rain is expected within 4 to 6 hours. Do not water treated area for 24 hours after application. In the event of prolonged rains after initial treatment, reapplication
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		may be necessary. Fall applications of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait may also be made and will provide extended control into the next season. Make applications before soil temperature falls below 60°F. A second application of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait may be advisable after 12 to 16 weeks in areas of heavy infestations, or when the mounds remain active, or when a reinfestation occurs. In large mounds, some worker ants may persist for a while after the queen is dead. For 7 to 10 days after treatment, do not apply any other ant pesticide. This is to allow sufficient time for the worker ants to seek out the bait and take it back to the mound. After 14 days, it may be desirable to apply a registered ant pesticide to kill remaining foraging ants.
		In areas with heavy infestations of ants, individual mounds may be treated with a contact insecticide after a broadcast application of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait. Wait at least 7 to 10 days after application, and then apply Orthene [®] Turf Tree & Ornamental Spray to individual mounds according to the label. Individual Mound Treatment Do not disturb the mound. Do not apply to top of mounds. Apply 1 to 4 level Tbsps. of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait per mound, uniformly distributing material 3 to 4 ft. around the mound.

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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

PESTICIDE STORAGE

Store in a cool dry place.

Keep pesticide in original container.

Keep container closed when not in use.

Do not put concentrate or dilute into food or drink containers.

Not for storage in or around the home.

For help with any spill, leak, fire or exposure involving this material, call day or night 800-892-0099.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL

Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL

Nonrefillable outer bag. Do not reuse or refill the outer bag. Completely empty bag into application equipment. Then dispose of empty bag in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

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[Sub Label 2]

ESTEEM ANT BAIT (Insect Growth Regulator) For use on Agricultural Turf and Food Crops

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GROUP 7C INSECTICIDE

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HOT LINE NUMBER

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NON CROP AREAS

Agricultural sites, defined as areas associated with the farm, such as: The areas around farm houses, barns, agricultural equipment and farm irrigation equipment.

PESTS	PRODUCT RATES PER ACRE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Ants Big-Headed Ant Imported Fire Ant Native Fire Ant Pavement Ant	1.0 to 2.0 lbs	Broadcast or Aerial Application: Apply uniformly with ground or aerial equipment calibrated to give the correct dosage. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if needed.
Red Imported Fire Ant Southern (California) Fire Ant		WHEN TO APPLY Apply <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait in the early Spring or Summer at the first sign of ant activity. Applications may be made any time of the day but are more effective when ants are actively foraging, usually when the soil temperature is above 60° F. Avoid application if rain is expected within 4 to 6 hours. Do not water treated area for 24 hours after application. In the event of prolonged rains after initial treatment, reapplication may be necessary.
		A second application of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait may be advisable after 12 to 16 weeks in areas of heavy infestations, or when the mounds remain active, or when a reinfestation occurs. In large mounds, some worker ants may persist for a while after the queen is dead. For 7 to 10 days after treatment, do not apply any other ant pesticide. This is to allow sufficient time for the worker ants to seek out the bait and take it back to the mound. After
		14 days, it may be desirable to apply a registered ant pesticide to kill remaining foraging ants.
		Individual Mound Treatment: Apply 2 to 4 level Tbsps of <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait per mound, uniformly distributing material 3 to 4 ft around the mound. Do not disturb the mound. Do not apply to top of mounds. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if needed.

FOOD AND FEED CROPS

CROPS	PESTS	PRODUCT RATES PER ACRE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	
For Crop Groups (See Crop	Ants	1.5 to 2.0 lbs	Broadcast or Aerial Application: Apply	
Group Descriptions):	Big-Headed Ant		uniformly with ground or aerial equipment	
Berries	Imported Fire Ant		calibrated to give the correct dosage.	
Brassica Leafy Vegetables	Native Fire Ant		Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if needed.	
Bulb Vegetables	Pavement Ant		Repearance 12 to 10 weeks in needed.	
Cereal Grains	Red Imported Fire Ant		WHEN TO APPLY	
· Citrus Fruits	Southern (California) Fire Ant		Apply Esteem Ant Bait in the early Spring	
Cucurbits			or Summer at the first sign of ant activity.	
Fruiting Vegtables			Applications may be made any time of the	
Legume Vegetables (Succulent			day but are more effective when ants are	
or Dried)			actively foraging, usually when the soil	
Nongrass Animal Feeds			temperature is above 60° F. Avoid	
Pome Fruit			application if rain is expected within 4 to 6	
Root and Tuber Vegetables			hours. Do not water treated area for 24	
Stone Fruits			hours after application. In the event of	
Tree Nuts	·		prolonged rains after initial treatment.	
Tropical & Subtropical Fruits			reapplication may be necessary.	
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Individual Crops:			A second application of Esteem Ant Bait	
Banana			may be advisable after 12 to 16 weeks in	
Cacao Bean			areas of heavy infestations, or when the	
Canola			mounds remain active, or when a	
Coffee			reinfestation occurs. In large mounds,	
Cotton		· · ·	some worker ants may persist for a while	
Cranberry		•	after the queen is dead. For 7 to 10 days	
Dates			after treatment, do not apply any other ant	
Figs			pesticide. This is to allow sufficient time	
Grape			for the worker ants to seek out the bait	
Olives			and take it back to the mound. After 14	
Pasture Grass			days, it may be desirable to apply a	
Paw Paw			registered ant pesticide to kill remaining	
Peanuts			foraging ants.	
Pineapple				
Plantain			Bearing Almond Timing: In bearing	
Pomegranate	• .		almond orchards apply at 6 to 8 weeks	
Rangeland			prior to harvest to protect fallen nuts.	
Safflower			Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if needed.	
Sesame				
Strawberry			Individual Mound Treatment: Apply 2	
Sugarcane			to 4 level Tbsps of Esteem Ant Bait per	
Теа			mound, uniformly distributing material 3	
Ugli Fruit			to 4 ft around the mound. Do not disturb	
White Sapote	·		the mound. Do not apply to top of	
			mounds. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if	
			needed.	
	Grass and Rangeland do not apply within 24 I			
	eland the Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI) is zero (C		standy for users in treated on as a	
For Pasture Grass and Rangeland: Do not plant any crop other than those with registered pyriproxyfen uses in treated areas sooner than 30 days after the last application.				
	e maximum amount of pyriproxyfen that may l	on applied per ocr	a por season is as follows:	
	e maximum amount of pyriproxyten that may eal Grains, Coffee, Dates, Nongrass Animal			
not exceed 0.040 lb pyriproxy		r deus, r ednuts, c	amower, besame, bugarcane, rea, uo	
For Fig. do not exceed 0.042				

For Fig, do not exceed 0.043 lb pyriproxyfen per acre per season. For Cotton, do not exceed 0.067 lb pyriproxyfen per acre per season.

For Root and Tuber Vegetables, do not exceed 0.109 lb Pyriproxyfen per acre per season. For Banana, Brassica Leafy Vegetables, Bulb Vegetables, Citrus, Cucurbits, Fruiting Vegetables, Legume Vegetables (Succulent and Dried), Pasture Grass, Pineapple, Plantain, Pomegranate, Rangeland, Strawberry, Ugli Fruit, White Sapote, do not exceed 0.134 lb pyriproxyfen per acre per season.

For Berries, Cranberry, Grapes, Olives, Pome Fruits, Tree Nuts, Tropical & Subtropical Fruits, do not exceed 0.218 lb pyriproxyfen per acre per season.

For Paw Paw, Stone Fruits, do not exceed 0.327 lb pyriproxyfen per acre per season.

CROP GROUP DESCRIPTIONS

Berries: Bingleberry, Blackberry, Blueberry, Boysenberry, Currant, Dewberry, Elderberry, Gooseberry, Huckleberry, Juneberry, Lingonberry, Loganberry, Lowberry, Marionberry, Olalliberry, Raspberry (black and red), Salal, Youngberry

Brassica Leafy Vegetables: Broccoli, Broccoli Raab (rapini), Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Cavalo Broccolo, Chinese Broccoli (gailon), Chinese Cabbage (bok choy and napa), Chinese Mustard (gai choy), Collards, Kale, Kohlrabi, Mizuna, Mustard Greens, Mustard Spinach, Rape Greens

Bulb Vegetables: Dry Bulb Onion, Garlic, Great Headed Garlic, Green Onion, Leek, Shallot, Welsh Onion **Cereal Grains:** Barley, Corn Buckwheat, Pearl Millet, Proso Millet, Oats, Popcorn, Rice, Rye, Sorghum, Teosinte, Triticale, Wheat, Wild Rice

Citrus Fruits: Calamondin, Citrus Citron, Chironja, Grapefruit, Kumquat, Lemon, Lime, Mandarin (Tangerine), Orange, Sour and Sweet; Pummelo, Satsuma Mandarin, Tangelo, Tangor

Cucurbits: Balsam Apple, Balsam Pear, Bitter Melon, Cantaloupe, Chayote, Chinese Cucumber, Chinese Waxgourd, Citron Melon, Cucumber, Edible Gourd, Gherkin, *Momordica* spp., Muskmelon, Pumpkin, Summer Squash, Watermelon, Winter Squash

Fruiting Vegtables: Eggplant, Ground Cherry, Okra, Pepino, Pepper, Tomatillo, Tomato

Legume Vegetables (Succulent or Dried): Bean (*Lupinus* spp.) includes Grain Lupin, Sweet Lupin, White Lupin and White Sweet Lupin; Bean (*Phaseolus* spp.) includes Field Bean, Kidney Bean, Lima Bean, Navy Bean, Pinto Bean, Runner Bean, Snap Bean, Tepary Bean, Wax Bean; Bean (*Vigna* spp.) includes Adzuki Bean, Asparagus Bean, Blackeyed pea, Catjang, Chinese Longbean, Cowpea, Crowder pea, Moth Bean, Mung Bean, Rice Bean, Southern Pea, Urd Bean, Yardlong Bean; Broad Bean (Fava); Chickpea (Garbanzo); Guar; Jackbean; Lablab Bean; Lentil; Pea (*Pisum* spp.) includes Dwarf Pea, Edible-podded Pea, English Pea, Field Pea, Garden Pea, Green Pea, Snow Pea, Sugar Snap Pea; Pigeon Pea; Soybean, Sword Bean

Nongrass Animal Feeds: Alfalfa, Clover, Crown Vetch, Kudzu, Lespedeza, Lupin, Milk Vetch, Sainfoin, Trefoil, Velvet Bean, Vetch

Pome Fruits: Apple, Crabapple, Loquat, Mayhaw, Oriental Pear, Pear, Quince

Root and Tuber Vegetables: Arracacha, Arrowroot, Artichoke (Chinese and Jerusalem), Bean Yam, Beet (garden and sugar), Black Salsify, Carrot, Cassava (bitter and sweet), Celeriac, Chaoyote (root), Chicory, Chufa, Dasheen (taro), Edible Burdock, Edible Canna, Ginger, Ginseng, Horseradish, Leren, Oriental Radish, Parsnip, Potato, Radish, Rutabaga, Salsify, Spanish Salsify, Skirret, Sweet Potato, Tanier, True Yam, Turmeric, Turnip, Turnip-rooted Chervil, Turnip-rooted Parsley

Stone Fruits: Apricot, Cherry, Sweet & Tart, Chickasaw Plum, Damson Plum, Fresh Prune, Japanese Plum, Nectarine, Peach, Plum, Plumcot, Prune

Tree Nuts: Almond, Beechnut, Brazil Nut, Butternut, Cashew, Chestnut, Chinquapin, Filbert (Hazelnut), Hickory Nut, Macadamia Nut, Pecan, Pistachio, Walnut

Tropical & Subtropical Fruits: Acerola, Atemoya, Avocado, Biriba, Black Sapote, Canistel, Cherimoya, Custard Apple, Feijoa, Guava, Ilama, Jaboticaba, Longan, Lychee, Mamey Sapote, Mango, Passionfruit, Papaya, Pulasan, Rambutan, Sapodilla, Soursop, Spanish Lime, Star Apple, Starfruit, Sugar Apple, Wax Jambu

TURFGRASS AND SOD FARMS

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		PRODUCT	······································
CROPS	PESTS	RATES	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
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		PER ACRE	
Turfgrass and Sod Farms	Ants	1.5 to 2.0 lbs	Broadcast or Aerial Application:
	Big-Headed Ant		Apply uniformly with ground or aerial
	Imported Fire Ant		equipment calibrated to give the correct
	Native Fire Ant		dosage. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if
	Pavement Ant		needed.
	Red Imported Fire Ant		
	Southern (California) Fire Ant		WHEN TO APPLY
	Counterin (Countering) - No Func		Apply Esteem Ant Bait in the early
			Spring or Summer at the first sign of ant
			activity. Applications may be made any
			time of the day but are more effective
· ·			when ants are actively foraging, usually
			when the soil temperature is above 60°
			F. Avoid application if rain is expected
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · ·		within 4 to 6 hours. Do not water treated
			area for 24 hours after application. In the
	•		event of prolonged rains after initial
		· ·	treatment, reapplication may be
			necessary.
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			A second application of Esteem Ant Bait
			may be advisable after 12 to 16 weeks in
			areas of heavy infestations, or when the
			mounds remain active, or when a
			reinfestation occurs. In large mounds,
	· · ·	· .	some worker ants may persist for a while
			after the queen is dead. For 7 to 10 days
			after treatment, do not apply any other
		·	ant pesticide. This is to allow sufficient
1			time for the worker ants to seek out the
			bait and take it back to the mound. After
			14 days, it may be desirable to apply a
			registered ant pesticide to kill remaining
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			to 4 level Tbsps of Esteem Ant Bait per
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			the mound. Do not apply to top of
			mounds. Repeat after 12 to 16 weeks if
			needed.

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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

PESTICIDE STORAGE

Store in a cool dry place.

Keep pesticide in original container.

Keep container closed when not in use.

Do not put concentrate or dilute into food or drink containers.

Not for storage in or around the home.

For help with any spill, leak, fire or exposure involving this material, call day or night 800-892-0099.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL

Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL

Nonrefillable outer bag. Do not reuse or refill the outer bag. Completely empty bag into application equipment. Then dispose of empty bag in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

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