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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Dear Registrant:

Subject: Label Amendment Submission of 5/20/93 in Compliance with the PR Notice 93-7 Prometrex 4L, EPA Reg. No. 66222-15

The labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, is accepted subject to the comments listed below. Five copies of the finished labeling must be submitted prior to releasing the product for shipment.

Based on your certification, the Agency has accepted only those changes to your labeling which are necessary to comply with PR Notice 93-7, which reflects the WPS labeling requirements of 40 CFR part 156, subpart K. Any changes to the labeling submitted in connection with this amendment application not directly related to compliance with PR Notice 93-7 were not reviewed and have <u>not</u> been 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, acceptance of this labeling amendment does not affect the suspension in any way.

Please note that a typographical error has been highlighted on the stamped "Accepted with comments" label attached for your records. You must correct this error before printing the final label, which you will submit to the Agency.

You must move the following statement to the "Directions for Use" section of your label, as directed in PR Notice 93-7:

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.



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If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

Sincerely,

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Thomas Adamczyk, Deputy Chief Fungicide-Herbicide Branch Registration Divsion (H7505W)

Enclosure

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# PROMETREX 4L

# Herbicide for selective weed control in cotton and celery

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Prometryne: 2,4-bis(isopropyl-amino)- 6-(methyl-thio)-s-triazine	44.0%
INERT INGREDIENTS:	56.03
TOTAL:	100.0%

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Contains 4 lbs. A.I./gal.

## CAUTION

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

Statement of Practical Treatment

IF ON SKIN - Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

IF IN EYES - Flush with water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

See side panel and attached booklet for addit onal precautionary statements.

Net Contents \_\_\_\_\_ gal.

Manufactured For: Makhteshim-Agan of North America Inc. EPA Est. No. 551 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1100 New York, NY 10176

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# PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DONESTIC ANIMALS CAUTION

Harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with eyes, contact with skin, inhalation of mist and contamination of food and feed. If on skin - Wash with plenty of water. In eyes - Flush with water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

# FEEDING/GRAZING RESTRICTION

Do not allow livestock to feed or graze on treated cotton crops.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

Do not contaminate water used for irrigation or domestic purposer. Do not apply directly to water or wetlands (swamps, bogs, marshes, and potholes). Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

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: (1) longsleeved shirt and long pants, (2) chemical-resistant gloves such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber, neoprene rubber, polyvinyl chloride (PVC), or viton, and (3) shoes plus socks. 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: (1) Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet; (2; Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then Wish thorougly and put on clean clothing; and, (3) Remove PPE incediately after handling this product. Wash the outside or to before removing. As soon as possible, wash thorough y and change into clean clothing.

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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Storage: Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Store in a dry place.

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

In case of minor spills, follow all precautions indicated above and clean-up immediately. Sweep up and dispose of wastes and broken or empty containers in a landfill approved for pesticide use.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

#### RE-ENTRY-STATEMENT

Do not enter treated areas without protective clothing until sprays have dried. Protective clothing means, at least, a hat or other suitable head covering, a long sleeved shirt and long legged trousers or a coverall type garment (all of closely woven fabric covering the body, including the arms and legs), shoes and socks.

Because certain states may require more restrictive re-entry intervals for various crops treated with this product, consult your State Department of Agriculture for further information.

Written or oral warnings must be given to workers who are expected to be in a treated area or in an area about to be treated with this product. Inform workers of areas or fields that may not be entered until sprays have dried. An example of such information is given under written warnings. When oral writings are given, warnings shall be given in a language customarily understood by workers. Written warnings must include the following information:

#### **CAUTION**

Area-treated with Prometryne (insert date and time).--Do not enter-until spray-dries-(insert-State-Department of Agriculture's re-entry-interval,-if-more restrictive).

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.

# AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

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Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 Concerned of Standard contains requirements for the protection of the standard on farms, forests, nurseries, and the second of the standard agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and second of the standa. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to statements on this label about personal score of the second (PPE). The requirements in this box only stop of to uses of this 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 de Exception: if the product is soil-injected or soil-incorporated, the Worker Protection Standard, under certain circumstances, allows workers to enter the treated area if there will be no contact with anything that has been treated.

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: (1) coveralls, (2) chemical-resistant gloves, such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber, neoprene rubber, polyvinyl chloride (PVC), or viton, and (3) shoes plus socks.

Do not apply this product in such a manner as to directly or through drift exposure workers or other persons. The area being treated must be vacated by unprotected persons.

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.

In case of accidental exposure to pesticide spray or dust, wash the skin thoroughly with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. If in eyes, flush with plenty of water. If inhaled, go to an area where the pesticide has not been applied. Get medical attention if needed.

Refer to the Directions for Use and Warrancy Booklet for additional directions as well as appropriate warranty statement.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Prometrex 4L is a selective herbicide that may be applied either before or after weeds emerge for control of most annual broadleaf weeds and grasses including pigweed (carelessweed), Florida pusley, smartweed, teaweed (prickley sida), annual morningglory, ragweed, groundcherry, mustard, lambsquarters, purslane, malva, junglerice, foxtail, wild oats, barnyard grass (watergrass), crabgrass, signalgrass, and other Brachiaria spp., Panicum spp., and goosegrass. Prometryne also controls shallow germinating seedlings of cocklebur, coffeeweed, and sandbur. It does not control johnsongrass, bermudagrass, other established perennials, or sprangletop at selective rates.

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When applied before weeds emerge, Prometryne enters weeds through their roots. Thus, its effectiveness depends on rainfall or irrigation to move it into the soil. Very dry soil conditions following application may result in poor weed control. Under these conditions a shallow cultivaton or rotary hoeing will generally result in better weed control.

When applied to emerged weeds as a directed spray, Prometryne provides foliar knockdown of existing weeds and/or residual control of later germinating weeds, depending on the rate applied.

#### Equipment

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Use conventional spray equipment with hydraulic or mechanical agitation. Screens in nozzles and in suction and in-line strainers should be no finer than 50-mesh. Use a pump with a capacity to maintain 35-40 psi at the nozzles. If hydraulic agitation is used, the pump should also provide sufficient agitation in the tank to keep the mixture in suspension.

Nozzles: For preplant incorporated or preemergence application use fan-type nozzle tips. For postemergence band application use off-center nozzle tips. For postemergence broadcast application use fan-type nozzle tips or off-center nozzle tips. Use floodtype nozzle tips only in Arizona and California for making layby treatments to cotton at least 18 inches tall.

Mixing: (1) Fill spray tank  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  full with clean water. (2) Start agitation. (3) Pour the product directly from the container into the spray tank partially filled with water, and then add the rest of the water. (4) Provide agitation during mixing and application to maintain a uniform suspension.

# CLEANING EQUIPMENT

Wash sprayer thoroughly with clean water immediately after use. Sprayers used to apply Prometrex 4L should not be used to apply to apply pesticides on sensitive crops such as tobacco, sugar beets, or vegetables, as even small residues of Prometryne in the tank may cause injury to these crops.

## SEEDBED PREPARATION

To insure proper placement of Prometrex 4L seedbeds must be well prepared and as free as possible from trash and clods. A firm seedbed is best is best for obtaining effective weed control. Uniformity in height and width of seedbed is essential for proper postemergence applications of Prometrex 4L. Beds should be low and flat. Take care to avoid planter warks. Wide plant packer wheels or rollers are recommended. Wheel burrows should also be uniform in depth. Mount the sprayers so that if follows the same row as the planter.

#### COTTON

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Prometrex 4L may be applied preplant incorporated or preemergence and/or postemergence as recommended in the following tables. The postemergence applications may follow preplant incorporated or preemergence treatments of Prometrex 4L.

Apply Prometrex 4L in 20-40 gals. of water per acre as a broadcast or band application at the rates indicated in the following tables.

Do not use on glandless cotton varieties, as crop injury will occur.

NOTE: Do not feed treated forage to livestock, or graze treated areas.

#### PREPINT INCORPORATION

(Arizona, California, and New Mexico). Apply Prometrex 4L as a broadcast or and treatment. If broadcast, treat the flat soil surface prior to listing. If banded, apply over partially finished or finished beds. Incorporate up to 4 inches deep immediately after application with PTO-driven equipment, double disk rolling cultivator, or bed conditioner.

### PREPLANT RATES OF APPLICATION

REGION	SOIL TEXTURE	BROADCAST* RATE PER ACRE
	sand, loamy sand	Do not use
Arizona, CA,	sandy loam, loam	4 pts
and New Mexico	silt loam, clay	6 pts

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For band treatment, the amount of Prometrex 4L required may be calculated by the formula:

band width in inches	x	broadcast	- /	amount
row width in inches		rate per acre		needed

Precautions: Do not use Prometrex 4L on sand or loamy sand soils, in cut areas of newly leveled fields, in areas of excess salt (excess of ECe values of 1.0), or in areas where flooding over the bed is likely to occur as crop injury may result.

Do not plant cotton in tractor wheel depressions as crop injury may result. On mulch planted cotton, water back only after cotton seedlings are well established. In New Mexico, apply either preplant incorporated or preemergence (not both) - see Preemergence section.

#### PREEMERGENCE

Apply at planting or shortly after planting. Prometrex 4L may be used on cotton planted flat, on beds, or in furrows. To avoid concentration of Prometrex 4L in the seed furrow, do. not make broadcast applications to cotton planted in furrows more than two inches deep. Band applications may be made to cotton planted in furrows deeper than two inches, but band width should not exceed the width of the bottom of the furrow. Do not use on shallow soils with caliche subsoil or in areas with caliche outcroppings. Rainfall or irrigation is needed following preemergence application to obtain weed control.

If necessary, cotton, may be replanted in soil previously treated with Prometrex 4L. Do not apply a second preemergence application of Prometryne as injury may occur.

# **PREEMERGENCE (Do not use on sand or loamy sand soil).** Rate of Application

REGION	SOIL TEXTURE	BROADCAST* RATE Per acre		
Mid-South & Southeast	sandy loam	4.5 pts		
other than Mississippi	silt and clay loam	6 pts.		
River Delta in Miss.	Sharkey Clay (Arkansas only)	7 pts.		
Mississippi River Delta	sandy loam	5-6 pts		
in Mississippi	silt and clay loam	7 pts		
<u> </u>	Sharkey clay	Do not use		

Blacklands of Texas & 3 pts. loam Okla., Texas Gulf Coast clay 6 pts. & Texas Coastal Bend Rio Grande Valley loam 4 pts. of Texas\*\* clay 6 pts. High Plains, Rolling sand, loamy sand Do not use Plains and Edwards sandy loam 2 pts. Plateau of Texas, 3 pts. Southwest Texas and loam, sandy clay loam New Mexico\*\*\* other clay soils 4 pts.

Arizona and California

Do not use

\* For band treatment, the amount of Prometrex 4L required may be calculated by the formula:

band width in inches

row width in inches

 $X \left(\begin{array}{c} broadcast \\ rate per acre \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} amount \\ needed \end{array}\right)$ 

Do not cover treated bands with soil while cultivating untreated row middles.

\*\*Rio Grande Valley of Texas - furrow irrigated cotton - to insure good weed control, make a shallow cultivation if adequate rain does not fall soon after application.

\*\*\*New Mexico - apply either preplant incorporated or preemergence (not both) - see Preplant Incorporation section.

#### POSTEMERGENCE DIRECTED

Take special care in applying Prometrex 4L postemergence to prevent contact of the spray with cotton leaves, or injury may occur. Recommended practices include (1) using precision application equipment so that the spray is accurately directed to the base of the cotton plant and still thoroughly covers the soil and weeds beneath the cotton plant, (2) applying during calm periods to prevent drift, (3) using branch lifters or shield if leaf contact cannot be avoided merely by directing the spray, (4) applying only when all plants have exceeded the minimum recommended height, and (5) applying to level well-prepared surfaces such as beds made with bed-shapers that are relatively free of clods. Apply to cotton less than 10 inches tall if cotton bed or flatplanted. Do not apply to furrow-planted cotton until furrows are leveled (plowed in).

When applying to emerged weeds, add 2 qts. of surfactant per 100 gals. of spray mixture. Use a surfactant that is compatible with Prometrex 4L when applied in cotton and is approved by EPA for use on food and feed crops. Examples include X-77, Tronic, and Triton.

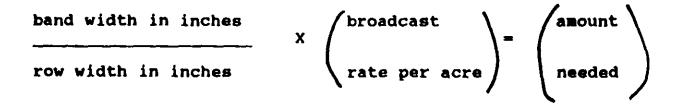
Do not treat cotton under stress from drought, cultivator damage, or fertilizer application.

Cotton three to six inches tall [Texas and the Mid-South (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee) only]: Take extreme care in applying Prometrex 4L to cotton three to six inches tall so the spray does not contact cotton leaves. Apply with a precision applicator equipped with fenders or shields, such as Bell Row Shield, Dickey Fenders, or W & A Fenders.

Cotton six or more inches tall (all regions): Applications of Prometrex 4L may be made any time after cotton is six inches tall.

To Control Emerged Weeds Only (Chemical Hoe): All soil textures, two or three application may be necessary.

Height of cotton and area of use	Height of weeds	Broadcast* rate per acre
3 to 6 inches Texas and the Mid-South (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee)	less than 1 inch	1% pts.
6 or more inches All regions	less than 2 inches	14 - 13 pts.



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To Control Emerged Weeds and Germinating Weeds (Layby): One application per season.

Region	Soil Texture	Broadcast rate/acre	Height, in Cotton	Height, in Weeds
Mid-South and Southeast	sandy loam clay	3 pts. 3 ½ pts. 4 pts	at least 12"	< 2"
Blacklands of TX & Oklahoma	loam clay	2 pts. 4 pts.	at least 12	< 2"
High Plains of TX and	sand	2 pts.	at least 12	< 2"
New Mexico	loam & clay	3 pts		
Southwest Texas	loam clay	3 pts. 4 pts.	at least 12	< 2"
Rio Grande Valley of Texa	15		Do not use	
Arizona and Calif.(Do not use in the Coach-	sand and loamy sa	nd	Do not use	
ella Valley)	loam	4 pts.	at least 12 (or 18" where flood type nozzles are used)	< 2"

\* For band treatment, the amount of Prometrex 4L required may be calculated by the formula:

band width in inches	x	broadcast	- /	amount	\ ·
row width in inches		rate per acre	) (	needed	

# ROTATIONAL CROPS

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The vegetable crops and cover crops listed below may be planted in the fall when Prometrex 4L was applied on cotton by no more than one these methods that year: preplant incorporated, preemergence, or only once at  $1\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{2}{3}$  pts. per acre postemergence.

Vegetables: cabbage, okra, onions, peas, red beets, sweet corn.

Cover Crops (must be plowed down and not used for flood or feed): oats, sorghum, winter barley, winter rye, winter wheat.

Spring-seeded crops in California and Arizona and spring-seeded vegetables in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas should not be planted until after April 1.

### CELERY

#### **POSTEMERGENCE TREATMENT OF SEEDBEDS** (Florida Only)

Broadcast 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  - 2 pts. in 20-40 gals. of water per acre after celery has 2-5 true leaves. Applications may be made over the growing celery. Apply only after seedbed covers have been removed from seedbeds for at least one week. Apply only once per year to seedbeds.

#### **DIRECT-SEEDED CELERY (California only)**

Apply Prometrex 4L at rates given below in a minimum of 20 gals. of water per acre. Within the rate ranges given, use the lower rates on coarse-textured soils and soils low in organic matter, use the higher rates on fine textured soils and soils high in organic matter.

Preemergence: Broadcast 3-4 pts. per acre at planting or shortly after planting before celery emerges.

Postemergence: Broadcast  $2 - 2\frac{1}{2}$  pts. per acre after celery has 2-5 true leaves. Application may be made over the growing celery. Apply before weeds are 2 inches tall.

To avoid injury to Direct-seeded Celery: (1) Make either one preemergence or one postemergence application (not both) per celery crop. (2) Do not use on sand or loamy sand. (3) Do not apply if celery is under water stress. (4) Do not apply post emergence treatments of Prometrex 4L with other pesticides. Apply only after foliar applications or other or other pesticides are dry. (5) Do not apply within two weeks after an application of a herbicidal oil, such as "carrot" oil.

#### POSTEMERGENCE TREATMENT OF TRANSPLANTS

Apply one application at the appropriate rate from the following table in a minimum of 20 gals. of water per acre during the 2-6 week period after transplanting. Within the rate ranges given, use the lower rate on relatively coarse-textured soils and soils low in organic matter; use the higher rate on relatively finetextured soil and soils high in organic matter. Application may be made over the growing celery. Apply before weeds are 2 inches tall.

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State	Soil	Broadcast* rate per acre
Florida	sandy or muck	2-4 pts
California	coarse-textured	2½-4 pts.
	fine textured	4-5 pts
Hawaii	coarse-textured	4-6 pts
	fine-textured	6-8 pts.

\* For band treatment, the amount of Prometrex 4L required may be calculated by the formula:

band width in inches	x	broadcast	=	amount
row width in inches		rate per acre		needed

# ROTATIONAL CROPS

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The following crops may be seeded 5 months after applying no more than 3 pts. Prometrex 4L per acre on celery: cabbage, celery, corn, okra, onions, peas, and red beets.

# WARRANTY STATEMENT

NOTICE: Seller warrants that the product conforms to its chemical description and is reasonably fit 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 of FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE express or implied, extends to the use of this product contrary to label instruction 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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