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AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

September 30, 2003

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Subject: **Aqua Chem Balanced for Clean Spas Algicide**
EPA Registration No. 67262-8
Application Dated June 25, 2003

Dear Mr. Jernigan:

The following amendment, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, is acceptable with comments.

Proposed Label Amendment

Amendment to add "bromine" as a source of sanitizer used with this product

Label Comments

1. In the Agency letter dated May 28, 2003, it stated" On page 2, under the heading "Now Use This Product", comment #5, to change the statement "...residual sanitizer..." to read "residual **chlorination**...". You must make the correction.
2. Revise the Storage and Disposal statement to read as follows:

Storage and Disposal

Do not contaminate food or feed by storage or disposal

Pesticide Storage:

Pesticide Disposal:

Container Disposal:

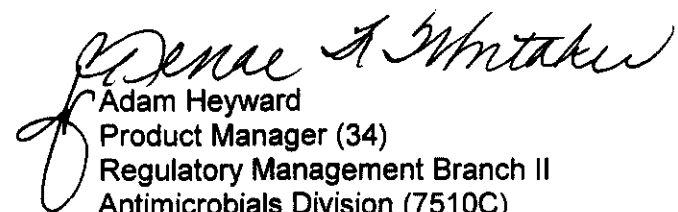
Refer to PR Notice 83-3 for appropriate language pertaining to each container size.

General Comments

A stamped copy of the accepted labeling is enclosed. Submit three (3) copies of your final printed labeling before distributing or selling the product bearing the revised labeling.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, please contact me at (703) 308-6422 or Renae Whitaker at (703) 308-7003.

Sincerely,


Adam Heyward
Product Manager (34)
Regulatory Management Branch II
Antimicrobials Division (7510C)

Enclosure

{All text in brackets [xxx] is optional and may or may not be included on a final label.}
{All text in braces {xxx} is administrative and will not appear on a final label.}

AQUA CHEM
BALANCED FOR CLEAN SPAS
ALGICIDE

{Optional marketing statements that may be used with spa algaecide.}

- [Prevents Algae Growth]
- [Algaecide]
- [For Fast Algae Control]
- [Non-Foaming]
- [Algaecide for Spas]

ACCEPTED
with COMMENTS
EPA Letter Dated:

SEP 30 2003

Under the Federal Insecticide,
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act as
amended, for the pesticide,
6.0% registered under EPA Reg. No. 67262-8

ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Poly (oxyethylene (dimethyliminio) ethylene-
(dimethyliminio) ethylene dichloride)

OTHER INGREDIENTS:

TOTAL INGREDIENTS:

94.0%
100.0%

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
CAUTION

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 eye. Call a poison control center or doctor for 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 SWALLOWED:** Call 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 doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

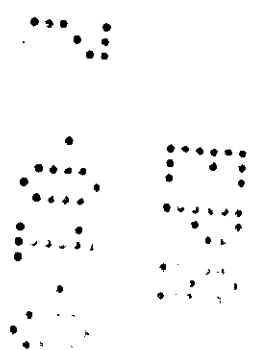
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. [IN CASE OF MEDICAL EMERGENCY, CALL [1-303-623-5716] [1-877-800-5553] [telephone number supplied by supplemental registrant].]

See [back] [side] panel for additional precautionary statements.

MANUFACTURED FOR:
RECREATIONAL WATER PRODUCTS
PO BOX 1449
BUFORD, GEORGIA 30515

EPA REG. #67262-8
EPA EST. # 5185-GA-1

NET CONTENTS:



{Directions to be used for spa algaecide}

WHY TO USE THIS PRODUCT: This product efficiently and economically reduces the growth of algae in spas and hot tubs. It is designed for use as part of your routine maintenance program, not for removal of heavy algae growths.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. When using other products, as outlined in directions for this product, always follow label directions for those products.
2. Sunlight, rainfall, temperature, number of bathers and frequency of spa use affect the rate of sanitizer (chlorine or bromine) loss. Adjust cleaning and chemical maintenance accordingly. To prevent the establishment of harmful algae, superchlorinate spa weekly.

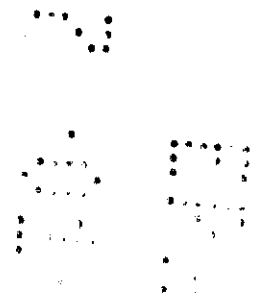
DIRECTIONS FOR USE: It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in any manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read entire label and use strictly in accordance with precautionary statements and directions.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

1. Ensure all spa equipment is working properly. Clean filter following manufacturer's directions.
2. Check water alkalinity, pH and calcium hardness with a test kit. Adjust alkalinity to 80-125 ppm for plaster spas, 125-150 for other types of spas by adding an alkalinity increaser. Adjust pH to 7.2-7.6 by adding a pH decreaser to lower pH, or by adding a pH increaser to raise pH. Adjust calcium hardness to 200-275 ppm for plaster spas, 175-225 for other types of spas by adding a calcium hardness increaser.

NOW USE THIS PRODUCT

1. To remove existing algae where growth has become visible, pour product directly into spa at a rate of 10-15 fl. oz. per 1,000 gallons of water.
2. Operate recirculating pump while adding product and for 1 hour afterward to ensure even distribution and maximum effect. Wait at least 15 minutes after application before entering spa.
3. For newly cleaned and filled spas or hot tubs, pour product directly into spa at a rate of 7-10 fl. oz. per 1,000 gallons of water. Operate recirculating pump while adding product and for one hour afterward.
4. To reduce future growth of algae, a regular maintenance application of this algicide is recommended. Add product weekly at a rate of 2-5 fl. oz. per 1,000 gallons or more frequently depending on usage conditions, following directions above.
5. Recheck pH, total alkalinity, and residual sanitizer (chlorine or bromine) levels following treatment and adjust as necessary.



STORAGE AND DISPOSAL Keep this product dry in original tightly closed container when not in use. Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Do not contaminate food or feed by storage or disposal. **CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** Do not reuse container, but place in trash collection. Rinse thoroughly before discarding in trash.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

CAUTION: Harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear goggles or safety glasses and rubber gloves when handling this product. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS Do not mix with other chemicals.

{Environmental hazards statement for end-use products in containers of less than 5 gallons (liquid).}

[ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms.]

{Environmental hazards statement for end-use products in containers of equal to or greater than 5 gallons (liquid).}

[ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Do not discharge effluent containing this product into lakes, streams, ponds, estuaries, oceans or other waters unless in accordance with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and the permitting authority has been notified in writing prior to discharge. Do not discharge effluent containing this product to sewer systems without previously notifying the local sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the EPA.]

{The following is optional text to be used at Recreational Water Products' discretion. This information is non-essential and will be provided only as a courtesy. Will not appear on all labels.}

[NOTE: Any questions or comments about Aqua Chem Products? In the continental U.S. call 1-800-252-POOL (7665). Ask for your free pool care booklet.]

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NOTE: Buyer assumes all responsibility for safety and use not in accordance with directions.

