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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Entek Corporation, Care of: Compliance Services International (CSI) Mr. John O. Pearson 9488 Treelake Road Granite Bay, CA 95746

Dear Mr. Pearson:

Subject: Wilthin Blossom Thinner and Cotton Harvest Aid EPA Registration Number 68891-4 Application Dated July 30, 2003

The labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act as amended is acceptable, provided you make the following changes before you release the product for shipment.

1. Add POISON and a skull and crossbones in the immediate proximity of the signal word "DANGER." The word POISON must appear in RED on a distinctly contrasting background and the skull and crossbones shall appear in close proximity. 40 CFR156.10(i)

[Note to registrant: Your request to waive this requirement has been denied. Since the Acute Dermal toxicity test was not conducted because of severe corrosivity, it is automatically defined as Category I, and thus requires both POISON and the skull and crossbones symbol.]

- 2. Change subheading "Storage" to "Pesticide Storage" in STORAGE AND DISPOSAL section.
- 3. Add appropriate Note To Physician section in the proximity of the FIRST AID Statements.
- 4. Change waterproof gloves to "Chemical resistant gloves made of any waterproof material" under PPE and Agricultural Use Requirements.
- 5. Change the REI from 24 to 48 hours to reflect Category I toxicity.
- 6. Add the following to the Agricultural Use Requirements Box: "Notify workers of the application by warning them orally and by posting warning signs at entrances to the treated areas."

Submit three (3) copies of final printed labeling incorporating the above changes before you release the product for shipment. Amended labeling will supercede all previously accepted ones. A stamped copy of labeling is enclosed for your records. Sincerely,

James A. Tompkins, haj

Product Manager 25

Herbicide Branch
Registration Division (7505C)

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

# WILTHIN<sup>TM</sup>

# **BLOSSOM THINNER AND COTTON HARVEST AID**

68891-4

Active ingredient: 1-aminomethanamide dihydrogen tetracxosulfate (Monocarbamide dihydrogen sulfate)	79.0%
Inert Ingredients	21.0% 100.0%
Density in Ib/gal @ 68°F	12.85

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN DANGER PELIGRO

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a aiguien 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 ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS
ON THE NEXT PAGE

FIRSTAID	
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 poleon control center or doctor for treatment sou
if on ekin or clothing	Take off conteminated cicithing. 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 centrol center or doctor immediately for treatment adviceHave person sip a glass of water if able to swallowDo not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison centrol center or doctorDo not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
If Inhaled	-Move person to fresh airIf person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possibleCall a poison control center or doctor for further treatment

HOT LINE NUMBER

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poleon control center or doctor, or going for treatment. You may also contact I-500-424-8300 for emergency medical treatment information.

Manufactured for



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EPA Reg. No.: 68891-4

EPA Est. No.: 612-WA-1\_\_; 51896-WA-1\_

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Net Contents: Gallons

#### **WARRANTY LIMITATIONS AND DISCLAIMER**

- 1. Entek warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated when used in accordance with the use directions under normal conditions. Entek neither makes, nor authorizes any agent or representative to make, any other warranty of fitness or of merchantability, guarantee or representation, express or implied, concerning this material.
- 2. Critical and unforeseeable factors beyond Entek's control prevent it from allminating all risks in connection with the use of this material. Such risks include, but are not limited to, damage to plants and crops to which the material is applied, lack of complete control, and damage caused by drift to other plants or crops. Such risks occur even though the product is reasonably fit for uses stated herein and even though label directions are followed. Buyer and user acknowledge and assume all risks and liability resulting from the handling, storage, and use of this material (except those assumed by Entek In (1) above). Entek shall not be liable for incidental or consequential damages.

#### **PATENTS AND PATENTS PENDING**

The product contained herein is described in one or more of the following U.S. composition, manufacturing and/or method of use patents: 4397675, 4402652, 4404116, 4445925, 4447253, 4522644, 4673622, 4818269, 4831056, 4944787, 4962283, 4986620, 4994101, 5034046, 5035737, 5055127, 5149355, 5185151, and 5221659. Other U.S. and foreign patents are pending.

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#### **TRADEMARKS**

WILTHIN™ is a trademark of Entek Corporation.
Regulate® is a registered trademark of Kalo, Inc.
Dropp® 50WP is a registered trademark of AgrEvo USA Co.
Cyclone® is a registered trademark of Zeneca Ag Products.
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# PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

#### **HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

#### DANGER

CORROSIVE. Causes irreversible eye damage. Moderately irritating to skin. Harmful or fatal if swallowed. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid breathing spray mist.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE): Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- · Coveralls over long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Waterproof gloves
- Chemical-resistant footweer plus socks
- Protective eyeweer
- . Chemical-resistant headgear for overhead exposure
- Chemical-resistant apron when cleaning equipment, mixing, or loading.

Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been dranched or heavily contaminated with this product's concentrate. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instruction for washables, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS STATEMENTS: When handlers use closed systems, enclosed cabs, or aircraft in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4-8)], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

# USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Users should:

- Wash hands before esting, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the tollet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside.
   Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product.
   Wash outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS: This product may be harmful to wildlife directly sprayed. 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 when disposing of equipment wash waters. Do not apply in any manner not specified on the label.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS: Do not allow WILTHIN™ to be heated above 176°F, as the quality of the product may deteriorate. If WILTHIN is heated above 230°F, vigorous decomposition may occur. Do not weld equipment containing WILTHIN.

**CLOTHING:** WILTHIN™ can attack cotton, nylon, and leather clothing. If WILTHIN contacts clothing of this type, flush with plenty of water to minimize damage.

DO NOT MIX with other materials without specified authorization, as hazardous combinations may result.

**CHEMIGATION:** Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.

# STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

STORAGE: Material crystallizes below 32°F. Do not heat above 176°F.

Materials recommended for use with WILTHIN™ Include polyethylene, polypropylene, PVC, CPVC, fiberglass made with reinforced resins such as polyesters and epoxides, most rubbers, and 316 stainless steel.

Do not expose mild steel, leather, nylon, or acid sensitive resins such as deirin and ceicon to undiluted WILTHIN.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, sprsy 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) all containers and offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by procedures approved by state and local authorities.

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, and precautions on the EPA-registered label. 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. This label must be in the possession of the user at the time of application.

# 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 in this labeling 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.

Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 24 hours.

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 long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Waterproof gloves
- Chemical-resistant footweer plus socks
- Protective eyewes?
- Chemical-resistant headgest for overhead exposure

## **BLOSSOM** THINNER

## APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

## **APPLES**

For thinning of blossoms on apples to reduce fruit set and alternate bearing tendencies, apply 2 to 3 pints of WILTHIN™ per 100 gallons of total volume. Do not exceed 3 pints per 100 gallons or 6 quarts/eore. The 3 pint per 100 gallon rate is usually optimum, but results may vary depending on bloom uniformity, rootstock, tree size, vigor and age. Healthy mature, or difficult to thin trees may require the higher rate, while trees or spurs with low vigor will show a greater degree of thinning for a given rate of WILTHIN. Application of WILTHIN may cause minor leaf burn. Small spray droplet size reduces the potential for fruit injury.

Apply as a dilute spray in sufficient volume to achieve adequate wetting of the target flowers, which is usually 150-350 gal/acre, depending on tree size. Do not exceed 400 gal/acre per acre of total spray volume. DO NOT USE CONCENTRATED SPRAYS. Use clean spray water — avoid muddy or slity water sources which may descrivate WILTHIN. Avoid over-spraying on turns and adjacent rows which may cause excessive thinning or leaf and fruit injury. Shut off the lower hozzles on the spray boom to svoid over-thinning of weaker blooms on the lower and inside portions of the trees.

The optimum spray timing is when 70%-80% of the blossoms are open, and after pollination and fertilization of the king bloom

has occurred. WILTHIN SHOULD NOT BE APPLIED AFTER PETAL FALL BEGINS ON THE EARLIEST BLOOMING SIDE OF TREE OR SEVERE MARKING AND LACK OF PERFORMANCE MAY OCCUR. Do not apply if foliage is wet or if rain is expected within 2 hours.

it is not recommended that WILTHIN be sprayed with any other materials except. Promelin® Plant Growth Regulator and Regulat@ Spraader-Activator. When using WILTHIN, it is not recommended to use foliar sprays containing copper, crop oil or the fungicide dodine after tight cluster bud stage. The use of zinc, sulfur, or time sulfur sprays in the pre-bloom stages should be in accordance with the manufacturer's label but not closer than 7 days before WILTHIN application.

Do not apply WILTHIN with surfactants or spray oils. The only exception is an option for the addition of 1 pint per 100 gallons of spray volume of Regulaid® spray adjuvant.

Certain varieties such as Gala, Fuji and especially Granny Smith are more susceptible to fruit injury and may require higher rates for adequate thinning. Consult with your fieldman regarding the use of WILTHIN on your varieties. WILTHIN may be used on the following varieties: Red Delicious, Newtown, Braeburn, Red Rome and Golden Delicious. Other varieties have not been adequately evaluated.

WILTHIN can be used only one time per season. Follow-up agrays of other chemical thinners or hand thinning may be necessary to adjust fruit load, depending on variety and overall vigor of the trees.

WiLTHIN will not harm spray equipment, but it may cause scale or other spray tank residues to dislodge. Thoroughly clean and remove all other chemical residues in the spray tank, hoses, screen and nozzles before using WiLTHIN. Rinse with a neutralizing agent before parking.

# PEACHES AND NECTARINES

For thinning blossoms on peaches and nectarines to reduce fruit set, apply 3 to 6 quarts of WiLTHIN™ per acre. Application should be made using an air blast sprayer only. Apply as a dilute spray to achieve adequate wetting of the target flowers. This requires 100 to 250 gallons per acre of spray volume, depending on tree size. Low volume concentrated sprays are NOT recommended. The 4 to 5 quart rate is usually optimum, but results may vary depending on variety, tree size, and bloom uniformity.

Thinning response to WiLTHIN is linear with rate, and the desired amount of at-bloom thinning should take into account other factors that will affect fruit set and quality. Optimum timing is at 70-80% bloom. Thinning occurs mainly on flowers that are open but not yet fertilized. Apply only after adequate poilination and fertilization of the early bloom has occurred. Direct the sir blast spray pattern to the primary fruiting zone of the tree. Shut off the lower nozzlea on the spray boom to avoid over-thinning of weaker blooms on the lower and inside portions of the trees.

It is not recommended that WILTHIN be sprayed with any other materials except for Regulaid. The use of other spray adjuvants is NOT recommended. The use of spray oils, or other nutrient,

sulfur or fungicide sprays, in the pre-bloom stages should be seconding to the manufacturer's label. Do not apply if the foliage is wet, or if rain is expected within 2 hours. Minor leaf burn may occur on expanded foliage exposed to WILTHIN spray.

Only one application of WILTHIN may be made during the bloom period. Subsequent hand thinning may be necessary to adjust proper fruit load, depending on the variety and bloom density of the trees.

WILTHIN application will NOT harm bees.

WILTHIN will not damage spray equipment, but may cause scale or other spray tank residues to dislodge. Thoroughly clean and remove all other chemical residues in the spray tank, hoses, screen and nozzles before using WILTHIN. Rinse with a neutralizing agent before parking.

# **COTTON HARVEST AID**

# APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

#### COTTON

**GENERAL INFORMATION** 

WILTHIN™, when tank mixed with a registered ethephon product and applied as a foliar spray to cotton, greatly improves the action of ethephon. This tank mixture provides fast, effective defoliation of cotton and aubstantially increases the speed and efficacy of opening mature boils. Typically, satisfactory defoliation is achieved within 7 days. Adverse conditions, such as low temperatures and/or toughened plants may require up to 14 days. WilLTHIN when tank mixed with a registered ethephon product also provides limited control of cotton regrowth.

APPLICATION TIMING AND RATE
Refer to the label of the specific brand of ethephon product to be used in combination with WILTHIN™. Do no apply before sufficient, mature, unopened bolls have developed to produce the desired cotton yield. Consult University recommendations in your area for testing of boil maturity.

Apply 1-3 quarts of formulated WILTHIN per acre in combination with the appropriate rate of registered ethephon product (refer to the label of the specific brand of ethephon product to be used). For most registered products formulated as 6 pounds of sthephon active ingredient per gallon, the label allows 0.67 pints/acre - 2.87 pints/acre (see list below). For best results in obtaining increased defoliation and boll opening, apply 2-3 quarts of formulated WILTHIN in combination with 2 pints/acre of a registered ethephon product or 1.5 pounds of ethephon active ingredient/acre. During adverse weather conditions (nighttime lows <60° F, daytime highs <75° F) or on rank cotton, use 2-3 quarts of formulated WILTHIN in combination with 2.67 pints/acre of a registered ethephon product or 2.0 pounds of ethephon active ingredient/acre. All recommendations and requirements of the specific registered ethaphon label must be followed.

When conditions are favorable for excessive regrowth prior to harvest, Dropp® 50WP may be added to the tank mix to aid in control of regrowth (refer to the Dropp label for rates). Generally, satisfactory results are obtained by the addition of 0.10 pounds of formulated Dropp 50WP per acre.

To ensure optimum activity, thorough and uniform spray coverage is required. It is essential that cotton leaves and unopened balls are contacted in order to achieve satisfactory results. Apply as a dilute spray in 15-50 gallons or water per acre by ground application or 3-10 gallons or water per acre by serial application.

Only one application of WILTHIN™ is allowed per year.

WILTHIN™ may also be tank mixed with Cyclone®, Ginstar,® Harvade® 5F, Quick-Pick® or Starfire®. (Refer to product label for rates.) WILTHIN may be tank mixed with the following listed products (Prep™, Micro Fic Ethephon 6, Pluck®, and Superboli<sup>TM</sup>) or any ethephon product registered for use in cotton. (Refer to ethephon product label for rates.)

Do not use urea, ammonium sulfate or fertilizer products with WILTHIN tank mixtures. DO NOT mix with ammonium thiosulfate.

MIXING PROCEDURE

Add 1/2 to 3/4 of the required amount of water to the spray tank and begin agitation. Add the required amount of WiLTHIN™ and the required amount of the registered ethephon product, and then the remaining amount of water. If Dropp® 50WP is used in the mixture, it should be added to the spray tank first, followed by WILTHIN and ethephon. Prepare only as much spray solution. as can be used on the day of mixing. Do not allow the spray solution to stand overnight. Do not permit concentrated WILTHIN to contact painted surfaces, apray equipment, or any airplane parts. All spills should be rinsed immediately with plenty of water.