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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

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Ms. Judy Smith Product Registration RiceCo. LLC 5100 Poplar Ave., Suite 2428 Memphis, TN 38137

SUBJECT:

Application for Pesticide Notification (PRN 98-10)

Request General Label Change

EPA Reg. No.71085-2

Application Dated January 2, 2008

Dear Ms. Smith:

The Agency is in receipt of your Application for Pesticide Notification under Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10 dated 01/02/2008 for the above product. The Registration Division (RD) has conducted a review of this request for its applicability under PRN 98-10 and finds that the action(s) requested fall within the scope of PRN 98-10. The label submitted with the application has been stamped "Notification" and will be placed in our records.

If you have any questions, please call me directly at 703-305-6249 or Owen F. Beeder of my staff at 703-308-8899.

Sincerely,

Linda Arrington

Notifications & Minor Formulations Team Leader

Registration Division (7505P) Office of Pesticide Programs



# **FEDERAL EXPRESS TRK. NO. 7926 2379 1917**

January 2, 2008

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**RE: PROPANIL 48 SF\* - EPA REG. NO. 71085-2** 

NOTIFICATION AMENDMENT

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find the following in support of our notification amendment:

- 1 Notification Amendment Application Form (8570-1)
- 1 Copy of Revised Labeling

This notification is adding the scientific name to each of the weeds listed in the "Weeds Controlled" section. No other changes have been made to the label.

If further information is needed, please contact Sam Bondurant by telephone @ (901) 684-5381 or by email at <a href="mailto:sam.bondurant@ricecollc.com">sam.bondurant@ricecollc.com</a>.

Sincerely,

RiceCo LLC

Judy Smith

**Regulatory Consultant** 

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# **PROPANIL 48 SF\***

# Herbicide

(\*Solvent Free – Does not contain aromatic solvents) Note to EPA – This appears in a starburst For postemergent control of broadleaf and grass weeds in Rice fields.

**Active Ingredient:** 

Propanil (3',4'-dichloropropionanilide)

**Inert Ingredients:** 

**TOTAL** 

43.50%

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This product contains 4 lbs. of 3',4'-dichloropropionanilide per gallon.

EPA registration No. 71085-2

EPA Establishment No.: 34704-MS-1; 5905-GA-1; 5905-IA-1, 62171-MS-1, 37429-GA-1; 68848-BRA-1;

46193-GTM-4; 1812-GA-1

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detaile. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

FIRST AID						
If inhaled	Move person to fresh air					
,	• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible.					
<u> </u>	Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice					
If on skin or	Take off contaminated clothing. Do not reuse contaminated clothing until laundered.					
clothing	Wash skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes					
	Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice if irritation continues					
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 6					
	Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice					
If swallowed	Immediately call a poison control center or doctor					
	Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor					
	Do not give any liquid to the person					
	Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person					
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FOR CHEMICAL EMERGENCY: Spill, leak, fire, exposure, or accident, call GLOBAL LOGISTICS

@ (504) 439-3140 OR (504) 599-3881

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

NET CONTENTS: 20 LTS. / 200 LTRS. / 30 U.S. GALS.

AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL
DO NOT SHIP OR STORE WITH FOOD, FEEDS, DRUGS OR CLOTHING.

# PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS CAUTION

Harmful if swallowed. Avoid breathing spray mist. May cause skin irritation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

# PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Some materials that are chemical-resistant to this product are barrier laminate or butyl rubber chemical-resistant gloves  $\geq$  14 mils. For more information, follow instruction in Supplement Three of PR Notice 93-7. If you want more options, follow the instructions for category B on an EPA chemical resistance category selection chart.

(Note to EPA reviewer: This section is for formulations packaged with Built-in Probes)

Mixers, loaders, applicators, and other handlers must wear the following, except when removing an unrinsed probe:

- · Long-sleeved shirt,
- · Long pants,
- Shoes and socks,
- Chemical-resistant gloves and chemical resistant apron when mixing/loading, cleaning up spills or equipment, or otherwise exposed to the concentrate.
- In addition handlers must wear chemical-resistant footwear when cleaning up spills or equipment.

### Mixers, loaders, and other handlers must wear the following when removing an unrinsed probe:

- · Coveralls over long-sleeved shirt and long pants,
- · Chemical-resistant gloves,
- Chemical-resistant footwear plus socks,
- · Protective eyewear, if the system operates under pressure, and
- Chemical-resistant apron.

See Engineering Controls for additional requirements.

(Note to EPA reviewer: This section is for formulations not packaged with built-in probes)

Some materials that are chemical-resistant to this product are barrier laminate or butyl rubber gloves  $\geq$  14 mils. For more information, follow instructions in Supplement Three of PR Notice 93-7. If you want more options, follow the instructions for category B on an EPA chemical-resistance category selection chart.

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- Long-sleeved shirt,
- Long pants
- Shoes plus socks
- Chemical-resistant gloves and chemical-resistant apron when mixing/loading, cleaning up spills or equipment, or otherwise exposed to the concentrate.

See Engineering Controls for additional requirements.

# **USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Users should:

- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.
- 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.

# USER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

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.

Discard clothing or other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product's concentrate. Do not reuse them.

Note to EPA Reviewer: The following Engineering Controls will be used if product packaged with built in probe ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Mixers and loaders must use a closed system that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 160.240(d)(4) for dermal protection and must:

- Wear the personal protective equipment required in the PPE section of this labeling for mixers and loaders,
- Wear protective eyewear, if the system operates under pressure, and
- Chemical-resistant footwear must be provided and be immediately available for use in an emergency, such as a broken package, spill, or equipment breakdown.

Note to EPA Review: The following Engineering Controls will be used if product packaged without built in probe.

#### **ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

Mixers and loaders must either:

(1) use a closed system that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for dermal protection of agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 160.240(d)(4),

OR

(2) Use the probe system described below:

#### PROBE SYSTEM

Specific requirements for use of the probe closed mixing/loading system:

- ✓ Remove plug from bung of drum containing this product only when drum is sitting on the ground or on a secure level platform, with the bung end of the drum pointed up.
- ✓ Do not pour this product from its drum.
- Transfer product from the drum to the mixing tank by use of suction hose connected at one end to the suction pump on the mixing tank and connected at the other end to a probe (dip tube) that is inserted through the bung opening into the drum.
- ✓ Do not handle the probe or bung in a manner that allows dripping or splattering of the product onto yourself or any other person.
- ✓ Do not touch the portion of the probe that has been in contact with this product until after the probe has been triple rinsed with water.
- ✓ If all the product is removed from the drum, then triple rinse the probe while it remains inside the drum.

#### **UN-RINSED PROBES**

- ✓ If an un-rinsed probe must be removed from the drum, then use an anti-drip flange, and immediately transfer the probe into a container of rinse water. The anti-drip flange must be designed to remove excess propanil product form the probe as it is extracted from the drum.
- ✓ Take the following steps if the probe must be disconnected form the suction hose before both the probe and the hose have been triple rinsed:
  - (1) Equip the probe end of the hose with a shut off valve,
  - (2) Install a dry break coupling between the valve and the probe.
  - (3) Close the shut-off valve before disconnecting the probe.

#### **ALL TRANSFER SYSTEMS**

In addition, mixers and loaders using all systems must:

- --wear the personal protective equipment required in the PPE section of this labeling for mixers and loaders,
- --wear protective eyewear, if the system operates under pressure, and
- --when using a system that meets the requirements in the WPS as a closed system or using a probe system when the probe is not removed, chemical-resistant footwear must be provided, be immediately available, and be used in an emergency, such as a broken package, spill, or equipment breakdown.

All systems must be capable of removing the pesticide from the shipping container and transferring it into mixing tanks and/or application equipment. At any disconnect point, the system must be equipped with a dry disconnect or dry couple shut-off device that is warranted by the manufacturer to minimize drippage.

Flaggers: Human flagging is prohibited. Flagging to support aerial application is limited to use of the Global Positioning System (GPS) or mechanical flaggers.

Enclosed Cabs for Aerial Applicators: Pilots must use an enclosed cockpit that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(6).

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic invertebrates. For terrestrial uses, 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 washwaters or rinsate. Drift and runoff from treated areas may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in neighboring areas. Do not contaminate water intended for irrigation or domestic purposes. Do not apply when weather conditions favor drift from target area.

This chemical has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in groundwater. The use of this chemical prior to flooding may result in shallow groundwater contamination due to cracks in the subsoil of the rice paddy

This product may contaminate water through runoff following rainfall events and by seepage through levees. This product has a high potential for runoff. Runoff of this product will be reduced by avoiding applications when rainfall is forecasted to occur within 48 hours. Levees should be constructed with adequate time prior to chemical application so that they are compacted to reduce seepage and to hold a 3-6 inch flood.

# PHYSICAL AND 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. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or indirectly 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.

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 a plants, soil or water is:

- Coveralls
- Chemical-resistant gloves, such as barrier laminate or butyl rubber ≥ 14 mils
- Chemical-resistant footwear plus socks
- Protective eyewear

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

**PESTICIDE STORAGE:** Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Open dumping is prohibited. Do not store this product near fertilizers, seeds, insecticides, or fungicides. Do not store near heat or open flame. Containers should not be stacked more than 4 containers high. Reclose all partially used containers

by thoroughly tightening bungs. Damaged or leaking containers, which contain product that cannot be used immediately, should be transferred to suitable sound containers and properly marked. Absorb any spill with a suitable absorbent and dispose of as indicated under "Pesticide Disposal".

Keep containers closed when not in use.

For safety and prevention of unauthorized use, all pesticides should be stored in locked facilities. To prevent accidental misuse, different pesticides should be stored in separate areas with enough distance between to provide clear identification. Opened, partially used pesticides should be stored in original containers when possible. When transfer to another container is necessary because of leakage or damage, carefully mark and identify contents of the new container.

**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** Pesticide wastes are toxic. 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:**

**METAL Containers:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

PLASTIC Containers: Tripe rinse (or equivalent), adding rinsate to spray tank. 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.

#### GENERAL PRECAUTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

DO NOT apply this product through any type of irrigation system

Water drained from treated rice fields must not be used to irrigate other crops or be released within 2 miles of a potable water intake in flowing water (i.e., river, stream, etc.) or within 2 miles of a potable water intake in a standing body of water (i.e., lake, pond or reservoir).

DO NOT plant or transplant crops in the treated area for at least 60 days following an application of this product.

**DO NOT** apply more than 6 lbs. active ingredient per acre per application. Do not apply more than 8 lbs. active ingredient per acre per season.

Applications to fields where catfish farming is practiced and draining water from treated fields into areas where catfish farming is practiced is prohibited.

**DO NOT** apply **PROPANIL 48** SF within 14 days before or after application of carbamates or organophosphate products. Serious injury to rice may occur.

DO NOT apply PROPANIL 48 SF directly or indirectly to any crop except rice.

DO NOT apply PROPANIL 48 SF when wind conditions will allow drift to adjacent, susceptible crops such as beans, soybeans, cotton, sunflower, cucurbits, vegetables, orchards and other sensitive crops.

**DO NOT** rotate to crops other than rice for 60 days following application.

DO NOT apply within 60 days of harvest.

### SPRAY DRIFT MANAGEMENT

Avoiding spray drift at the application site is the responsibility of the applicator and the grower. The interaction of many equipment and weather-related factors determines the potential for spray drift. The applicator is responsible for considering these factors when making application decisions.

Apply only when the wind speed is less than or equal to 10 mph at the application site. Apply as a medium or coarser spray (ASAE standard 572)

# Additional requirements for ground applications:

Apply using a nozzle height of no more than 4 feet above the ground or crop canopy.

# Additional requirements for aerial applications:

Do not apply by air if drift can occur to sensitive nontarget crops or plants that are within 100 feet of the application site.

Do not release spray at a height greater than 10 feet above the ground or crop canopy.

The boom length must not exceed 75% of the wingspan or 90% of the rotor blade diameter.

Do not make any type of application into temperature inversions

When applications are made with a cross-wind, the swath will be displaced downwind. The applicator must compensate for this displacement at the downwind edge of the application area by adjusting the path of the aircraft upwind.

# Information on Droplet Size

The most effective way to reduce drift potential is to apply large droplets. The best drift management strategy is to apply the largest droplets that provide sufficient coverage and control.

Application of **PROPANIL 48 SF** must conform to the conditions set forth in the current CA propanil regulations (3CCR 6462). **Aerial Applications:** Each operating nozzle shall produce a droplet size, in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications, not less than 600 microns volume median diameter (Dv0.5) with 10 percent of the diameter by volume (Dv0.1) not less than 200 microns. **Ground Applications:** Each operating nozzle shall produce a droplet size, in accordance with manufacturer's specifications, not less than 500 microns volume median diameter (Dv0.5) with 10 percent of the diameter by volume (Dv0.1) not less than 200 microns.

The presence of sensitive species nearby, the environmental conditions, and pest pressure may affect how an applicator balances drift control and coverage. Applying larger droplets reduces drift potential, but will not prevent drift if applications are made improperly, or under unfavorable environmental conditions (see Wind, Temperature and Humidity, and Temperature Inversions.)

# **EMERGENCY RELEASE PROVISION**

Water holding (discharge) intervals for flood water following propanil application in all states.

For delayed flood (water-seeded) rice grown south of Interstate Highway 10 from the Texas/Louisiana border to Houston and east of State Highway 35 from Houston to Port Lavaca – Flood water must be held for 10 days after application, unless excessive rainfall completely submerges the rice crop and forces premature release. For Texas rice grown in areas north or west of these boundaries, the water holding interval will be 7 days.

For delayed flood (water-seeded) rice in Southern Louisiana south of Highway 14 – Flood water must be held for 15 days after propanil application unless excessive rainfall completely submerges the rice crop and forces premature release. Delayed flood (water-seeded) rice in Louisiana, north of Highway 14 boundary, is subject to the 7-day water holding interval provisions.

For permanent flood (water-seeded) rice in California and all other parts of the US not mentioned above – Flood water must be held for 7 days after application, unless excessive rainfall completely submerges the rice crop and forces premature release.

# WHERE TO USE

RiceCo PROPANIL 48 SF is used for postemergent control of broadleaf and grass weeds in RICE fields.

#### WEEDS CONTROLLED

Barnyardgrass (watergrass)

Echinochloa crus-galli

Brachiaria (broadleaf signalgrass)

Coffeeweed

Crabgrass

Croton

Curly indigo

Foxtail

Goosegrass

Gulf cockspur

Mexicanweed

Millet (Texas)

**Paragrass** 

Pigweed

Sourdock

Spearhead

Wiregrass

Brachiaria platyphylla Sesbania herbacea Digitaria spp.

Croton spp.

Aeschynomene virginica

Setaria spp.

Eleusine indica

Echinochloa crus-pavonis

Caperonia castanifolia

Urochloa texana

Urochloa mutica

Amaranthus spp.

Rumex crispus

Phacelia hastata

Eleusine indica

(This product will not control arrowhead, Bermudagrass, cattail, ducksalad, Johnsongrass, nutgrass, red rice and sprangletop).

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Several important factors should be taken into account to achieve a high efficiency of selective weed control with PROPANIL 48 SF. These include uniform application, growth stage and weather conditions. To assure uniform application, shake or roll container prior to opening and mix the prescribed amount of product with a sufficient volume of carrier to provide thorough coverage of target area. For aerial application use approximately 10 gallons, and for surface (ground) applications 20-30 gallons of carrier per acre at high enough pressure. Agitate tank mixes thoroughly and continuously. Avoid over and under application.

Growth stage of weeds is very important. Best results for selective weed control are obtained when most grasses have reached the 1 to 3-leaf stage. Proper field preparation is essential to ascertain a relatively clod free and level surface and to obtain uniform flood levels and growth. Fields may be flushed prior to treatment to produce uniform and vigorous grass germination and growth. Drain water from fields prior to applying product. Higher rates are recommended to control larger grasses or exposed weeds when rice fields are not completely drained. Inspect rice fields regularly to select the correct application time.

Weather conditions must be observed closely. Under cool weather conditions higher rates are required to achieve satisfactory control. Avoid application if rain threatens within 6 to 8 hours, or if wind velocities are high enough to cause drift and irregular spray patterns.

### **WEATHER CONDITIONS:**

Temperature: Temperatures at and before application affect product activity in controlling target weeds. Applications should be made when daily maximum temperatures are between 75°F and 100°F. Control decreases with temperatures below 75°F and increases with temperatures above 75°F.

Application Timing: PROPANIL 48 SF normally requires 8 hours of DIRECT sunlight after application for absorption into target weeds; however, many atmospheric and environmental conditions can affect absorption into the target weeds. It is highly recommended that application of **PROPANIL 48 SF** be planned so that the applied product remains in contact with the leaf surfaces for at least 48 hours prior to rainfall or flooding. Historically, morning applications of Propanil products, including PROPANIL 48 SF, have produced better results in weed control.

Relative Humidity: PROPANIL 48 SF is a contact herbicide; therefore, herbicidal activity is affected by humidity. High humidity and dew aid in weed control by allowing the product to remain in solution longer on the leaf surface. Low humidity decreases plant activity and thus reduces product absorption. During periods of very low humidity, higher spray volumes, 8-10 gallons per acre, should be used when applied aerially.