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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Dr. Matthew Brooks, Agent Northwest Agricultural Products Ag-Chem Consulting 12208 Quinque Lane Clifton, VA 20124

Re:

Bloomtime Biological FD Biopesticide

EPA Reg. No. 71975-1 Decision No. 451717

Submission dated June 24, 2011

Dear Dr. Brooks:

The Agency has reviewed your request to amend the subject product registration, which includes the following changes to the product's label:

- 1. Minor language revisions to improve clarity and OMRI certification;
- 2. Deletion of application instructions that call for using more than one package of the product.

The registration and your new label, submitted under FIFRA section 3(c)(7)(A), are acceptable provided that you:

- 1. Submit and/or cite all data required for registration of your product under FIFRA section 3(c)(5) when the Agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit such data.
- 2. Submit two (2) copies of your final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment. Refer to the A-79 enclosure for a further description of a final printed label.

If these conditions are not complied with, then the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e). Your release for shipment of this product constitutes acceptance of these conditions. A stamped copy of the label is enclosed. If you have questions, please contact Michael Glikes at (703) 305-6231 or glikes.michael@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Sheryl K Reilly, Ph.D.

Chief, Microbial Pesticides Branch Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention

Division (Mail Code 7511P)

Enclosures (2):

A-79

Stamped Label



Master Label

Bloomtime™ Biological FD Biopesticide





ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Pantoea agglomerans strain E325;

BACTERIAL ANTAGONIST TO REDUCE THE SEVERITY OF FIRE BLIGHT

CAUTION

EPA Reg. No. 71975-1

Manufactured by Northwest Agricultural Products, Inc. P.O. Box 3453 Pasco, WA 99302 (509)547-8234 1-877-357-4461 (toll free)

U.S. Patent No.: 5,919,446

Net Contents: 0.33 lbs (150 gram)

Batch #

EPA Est. No. 71975-WA-001

[Optional Symbol]

ACCEPTED

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Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, for the pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No. 71975-1

^{*} Minimum Pantoea agglomerans sps 1x10¹⁰ cfu/g



FIRST AID

IF INHALED:

- Move person to fresh air.
- If person is not breathing, call 9-1-1 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 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:

- Take off contaminated clothing.
- Rinse skin with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.
- 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 by a poison control center or doctor.
- Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

HOT LINE NUMBER

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. You may also contact Infotrac at 1-800-535-5053 for emergency medical treatment information.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS – Agricultural Use HAZARDS TO HUMANS & DOMESTIC ANIMALS CAUTION

Harmful if inhaled. Avoid breathing spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- Long-sleeved:shirt and long pants
- Waterproof gloves
- Shoes plus socks
- NIOSH approved respirator with any N, R, P or HE filter

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



USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Users should:

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

Remove clothing/PPE 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- Agricultural Use

Do not apply directly to water or 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. Do not apply when weather conditions favor drift or runoff from treated areas.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Bloomtime™ is a naturally occurring *Pantoea agglomerans* that suppresses fireblight. For optimal use of this product, apply prior to colonization by the pathogen.

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 through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the State or Tribal agency responsible for pesticide regulation.

Dilution Rates: Use the following dilution rates when applying **Bloomtime™**. For optimal results spray immediately upon mixing. Do not allow spray mix to stand overnight or for prolonged periods.

Application Rates: Apply Bloomtime™ to flowering apple and pear trees at the following times and rates:

<u>Early Bloom</u>: Use 0.33 lb (150 grams) per acre in enough water to thoroughly cover the open flowers.

<u>First Petal Fall –Full Bloom</u>: Use 0.33 lb (150 grams) per acre in enough water to thoroughly cover the open flowers.

<u>Post Petal Fall</u>: Use 0.33lb (150 grams) per acre in enough water to thoroughly cover the open flowers when a third application is needed.



Dilution Instructions: Use the coverage characteristics of the application equipment and overall plant size to determine the proper volume of water needed.

Apply in 50-150 gallons of water per acre as long as volume is large enough to cover all open flowers. The spray must thoroughly cover the open blooms.

During extended bloom periods up to 2 additional treatments of Bloomtime Biological may be applied.

Compatibility: Bloomtime[™] compatible with streptomycin. Allow a minimum of three days between applications of Bloomtime and oxytetracycline. Bloomtime[™] is not compatible with copper-based compounds. Before mixing with other products, consult with a licensed crop advisor.

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, forest, nurseries and greenhouses and handlers of agriculture 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 workers entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 4 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
- Water proof gloves
- · Shoes plus socks

USE RESTRICTIONS

Do Not Apply Through Any Type Of Irrigation System

Do not apply Bloomtime™ Biological FD Biopesticide on orchards abutting newly planted conifer forestry blocks.



STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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

Pesticide Storage: Bloomtime™ must be kept in the original package at temperatures between -4°F (-20°C) and 40°F (4.4°C), frozen or refrigerated. Carry over should be kept in a frozen state at 20°F (-7°C)or below.

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

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

Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability:

NOTICE: Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product should be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness, or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions beyond the control of NORTHWEST AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS or Seller. To the extent consistent with applicable law all such risks shall be assumed by Buyer and User, and Buyer and User agree to hold NORTHWEST AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

Seller warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated on the Directions for Use when used in accordance with the directions under normal conditions of use. To the extent consistent with applicable law, NORTHWEST AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS makes no other expressed or implied warranty of fitness or of merchantability or any other express or implied warranty. Any warranties, express or implied, having been made are inapplicable if this product has been used contrary to label instructions, or under abnormal conditions, or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to (or beyond the control of) Seller or NORTHWEST AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, to the extent consistent with applicable law and buyer assumes the risk of any such use.



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