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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

June 24, 2019

Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancements c/o Eliot Harrison Lewis & Harrison 122 C. Street, N.W. Suite 505 Washington, D.C. 20001

Subject: Label Amendment – Fast-track label amendment to add new packaging sizes, pests, and other revisions; submission of label to adopt Registration Review language per the emamectin benzoate Interim Decision (registration review case number 7430) Product Name: RTSA 4% Emamectin Benzoate EPA Registration Number: 74779-17 Application Date: June 9, 2019; June 24, 2019 Decision Number: 552112; 552318

Dear Mr. Harrison:

The amended label referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, as amended, is acceptable. This approval does not affect any conditions that were previously imposed on this registration. You continue to be subject to existing conditions on your registration and any deadlines connected with them.

The Agency has also completed reviewing all of the information submitted with your application to support the Registration Review of the above referenced product in connection with the emamectin benzoate Interim Decision, and has concluded that your submission is acceptable.

A stamped copy of your labeling is enclosed for your records. This labeling supersedes all previously accepted labeling. You must submit one copy of the final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment with the new labeling. In accordance with 40 CFR 152.130(c), you may distribute or sell this product under the previously approved labeling for 12 months from the date of this letter. After 12 months, you may only distribute or sell this product if it bears this new revised labeling or subsequently approved labeling. "To distribute or sell" is defined under FIFRA section 2(gg) and its implementing regulation at 40 CFR 152.3.

Should you wish to add/retain a reference to the company's website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act and is subject to review by the Agency. If the website is false or misleading, the product would be misbranded and unlawful to sell or distribute under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR 156.10(a)(5) list examples of statements EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product's label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process.

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Therefore, should the Agency find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains false or misleading statements or claims substantially differing from the EPA approved registration, the website will be referred to the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance.

Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions. If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6. If you have any questions, please contact Gene Benbow by phone at 703-347-0235 or via email at <u>Benbow.Gene@epa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Gene Benbow, Product Manager 7 Invertebrate & Vertebrate Branch 3 Registration Division (7505P) Office of Pesticide Programs

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[Emerald Ash Borer] [Winter Moth] [Japanese Beetle]

# **RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE**

Master Label consisting of: Pages 1-10: RTSA 4% Emamectin Benzoate Pages 11-20: Sub-label A: For Use in Ready-to-Use (RTU) Low Pressure Injection Technology

Injected insecticide for two year control of listed insect and mite pests in deciduous, coniferous, and

palm trees	
ACTIVE INGREDIENT:	
Emamectin Benzoate <sup>1</sup>	4.0%
Other Ingredients:	
Total:	

<sup>1</sup>CAS No. 155569-91-8. Contains 0.36 lb. emamectin per gallon.

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 NET CONTENTS:
 1 Liter (33.8 oz) [8 oz] [237 mL] [250 mL] [8.45 oz] [1 Quart] [1.06 Liter] [0.946 Liter] [1

 Gallon]
 [3.785 Liter] [30 Gallon] [114 Liter] [55 Gallon] [208 Liter] [250 Gallon] [946 Liter] [265 Gallon]

 [1003 Liter]

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[See [complete] [additional] [First Aid] [Precautionary Statements] [and] Directions For Use inside booklet.]

# Manufactured For:

Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancements 11571 K-Tel Drive Minnetonka, MN 55343

#### 1-877-ARBORIST 1-877-272-6747

#### www.treecarescience.com

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# NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:

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#### PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS:

Do not use or store near heat or open flame. Do not mix or allow to come into contact with an oxidizing agent. Hazardous chemical reaction may occur.

#### 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 must 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, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancements (RAINBOW) or Seller.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold RAINBOW and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

RAINBOW warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above, when used in accordance with directions under normal use conditions. To the extent permitted by applicable law: (1) this warranty does not extend to the use of the product contrary to label instructions or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to or beyond the control of Seller or RAINBOW, and, (2) Buyer and User assume the risk of any such use. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW RAINBOW MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY EXCEPT AS WARRANTED BY THIS LABEL. To the extent permitted by applicable law, in no event shall RAINBOW be liable for any incidental, consequential or special damages resulting from the use or handling of this product.

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# DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

**IMPORTANT:** Read entire label before using this product. Failure to follow label instructions may result in poor control or tree injury. Failure to follow label directions may cause injury to people, animals and environment.

# **PRODUCT INFORMATION**

RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE is for control of mature and immature insect and mite pests of deciduous, coniferous, and palm trees including, but not limited to, those growing in residential and commercial landscapes, parks, plantations, seed orchards, and forested sites (in private, municipal, state, tribal and national areas). RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate and is formulated to translocate in the tree's vascular system when injected. This product must be placed into active sapwood and will actively control pests for up to two years.

RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE is designed for use with tree injection devices that meet the label and dose requirements for the control of listed pests of trees. Follow manufacturer's directions for equipment use.

Dosages are based on the Diameter (in inches) of the tree at Breast Height ("DBH"). DBH is the outside bark diameter of the trunk at 4.5 feet (1.37m) above the ground on the uphill side of the tree. For the purposes of determining breast height, the ground includes the duff layer that may be present, but does not include unincorporated woody debris that may rise above the ground line. The diameter is determined by measuring the circumference of the tree at DBH, and dividing circumference (in inches) by three (3). To determine DBH for multi-stemmed woody ornamentals, measure the DBH for each stem or branch and add together for the total DBH per tree.

**Placement of Application/Injection Sites:** Inject at the base of the tree. Inject into the stem within 12" of the soil, into the trunk flare or into tree roots exposing them by shallow excavation. Make applications into intact, healthy sapwood. Do not inject into injured areas or areas with decay.

**Number of Injection Sites:** Work around the tree, spacing injection sites approximately every 4 to 8 inches of tree's circumference or according to the manufacturer's recommendation for the application device.

**Drill Depth:** Drill through the bark then 5/8" to 1-5/8" (hardwoods) or 1-5/8" to 2" (conifers) into the sapwood with the appropriate sized drill bit. Use clean, sharp drill bits. Precautions should be taken to avoid diseased areas and transferring infected tissues to other injection sites.

**Resinous Conifers:** In resinous conifers, such as pine and spruce, start the injection immediately after drilling into the sapwood. A prolonged delay may reduce uptake on account of resin flow into opening.

#### WHEN TO TREAT

RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate which is a glycoside insecticide. It is active against immature and adult stages of arthropods. The primary route of toxicity is through ingestion.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:** Uptake of RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE is dependent upon the tree's transpiration. Transpiration is dependent on a number of abiotic and biotic factors, such as soil moisture, soil and ambient temperature, and time of day. For uptake, apply when soil is moist, soil temperatures are above 45° F, ambient temperatures are between 40° to 90° F, and during the 24 hour period when transpiration is greatest, typically before 2:00 PM. Applications to drought or heat stressed trees may result in injury to tree tissue, poor treatment and subsequent control. Avoid treating trees that are moisture stressed or suffering from herbicide damage.

**MONITOR TREE HEALTH and PEST INFESTATIONS:** Effective injection treatment is favored by a full canopy (i.e., leaves) and healthy vascular system. Once these tissues are compromised by pest damage (larval galleries, defoliation, leaf mining, etc.) an effective and uniform application of RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE may be difficult to achieve and subsequent control may be poor. For optimum results, treat at least 2 to 3 weeks before pests historically infest the host tree. As a result of systemic movement and longevity of RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE in trees, this interval may be extended much earlier to 6 months should tree dormancy, adverse weather, management, asynchronous life cycle of pests, etc., allow earlier application timing.

RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE may also be effective as a remedial treatment against some pests, such as those with slower development or if multiple life stages are susceptible to RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE. Pests that attack the stem and branches such as ambrosia beetles and clearwing borers may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution in an infested tree. This includes the initial larval stages of pests, such as flat-headed borers and clearwing borers, that attack the stem and branches, which may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution of the product in an infested tree. However, control may be achieved if larvae come into contact or feed on RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE treated tissues.

#### [OPTIONAL USE DIRECTIONS "A"]

# **USE RATES**

Use as formulated or dilute with equivalent 1 to 3 volumes of water or more, as necessary.

Tree Diameter	Low	Medium	Medium – High	High
(DBH) (Inches)	(mL product/tree)	(mL product/tree)	(mL product/tree)	(mL product/tree)
4 to 6	10	25	50	60
7 to 9	20	40	80	90
10 to 12	25	55	110	165
13 to 15	30	70	140	210
16 to 18	40	85	170	225
19 to 21	50	100	200	300
22 to 24	55	115	230	345
25 to 27	65	130	260	390
28 to 30	70	145	290	435
31 to 33	80	160	320	480
34 to 36	85	175	350	525
37 to 39	90	190	380	570
40 to 42	120	205	410	615
43 to 45	130	220	440	660
46 to 48	140	235	470	705
49 to 51	150	250	500	750
52 to 54	160	265	530	795
55 to 57	170	280	560	840
58 to 60	180	295	590	885
61 to 63	190	310	620	930
64 to 66	200	325	650	975
67 to 69	210	340	680	1020
70 to 72	220	355	710	1065

The use of low, medium, medium-high and high rates are based on the professional judgment of the applicator as to what constitutes a low, medium or high infestation. Higher rates tend to provide longer residual and control of more difficult to control insects. See **Target Pest** table for additional information in choosing the amount of product to apply.

	ADDITIONAL DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION IN TREES				
Tree Tissue	Target Pest	Application Rate Range <sup>1</sup>	Comments		
Seed and Cone	<ul> <li>Pine Coneworm (Dioryctria spp.)</li> <li>Cone Beetle<sup>2</sup> (Conopthora spp.)</li> <li>Pine Cone Seed Bug (suppression of Leptoglossus and Tetyra spp. in the year of treatment)</li> </ul>	Medium to High	For optimal control apply in the fall for early season pests or at least 30 days before insect attack.		
Bud and Leaf	Aphid <sup>2</sup> BagwormCankerwormCasebearerConifer Mites <sup>2</sup> Eastern Oak LooperElm SpanwormFall WebwormGypsy MothHoneylocust Plant BugJapanese BeetleLeafminers (such as Lepidoptera, Coleoptera,Hymenoptera)LeafrollersLinden LooperMimosa WebwormOak WormPine Needle MinerPine Needle ScalePine Tip MothPoplar TentmakerRed Palm MiteSawfly (such as Elm, Pine)Tent Caterpillars (such as Eastern, Forest, Pacific, and Western)Tussock MothVariable Oakleaf CaterpillarWestern Spruce BudwormWinter Moth Yellownecked Caterpillar	Low to High	Apply at least 2-3 weeks before the pest has historically been present. Consult with local extension agent for when this will occur in your area		
Shoot,	<b>Clearwing Borers</b> (such as Ash and Sequoia Pine Pitch Tube Moth)	Low to Medium	For optimal control apply at least 30 days before historical egg hatch or adult flight and to trees whose vascular tissue is not damaged. If vascular tissue is damaged or plugged by		
Stem Trunk and Branch	Carpenterworm Cottonwood Twig Borer Flatheaded Borers (such as adult and larvae of Bronze Birch Borer <sup>2</sup> , Emerald Ash Borer, and Two-lined Chestnut Borer <sup>2</sup> ) Zimmerman Moth	Low to High			

 Ambrosia Beetles		insect galleries,
Black Turpentine BeetleGall Wasp (such as		nematodes or fungi,
Banyan Stem, Black Oak, and Cynipid <sup>2</sup> )		uniform treatment and
Pinewood Nematode		control may not be
Roundheaded Borers (excluding Asian		achieved.
longhorn beetles)	Medium to	
Scolytids (bark beetles) Ips Engraver Beetles,	High	
Mountain Pine Beetle, Southern Pine Beetle,		
Spruce Beetle, Western Pine Beetle		
Walnut Twig Beetle		
White Pine Weevil		

<sup>1</sup>Use medium to high rates for remedial and longer residual control.

<sup>2</sup>Not registered for use in California.

# COMPATIBILITY

Do not mix RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE before injection with other products such as insecticides, fungicides, plant growth regulators, surfactants, adjuvants, and fertilizers whose labels indicate that it should not be mixed with RTSA 4% EMAMECTIN BENZOATE. If applicator has no prior experience with a particular tank mix; check physical compatibility by making a small clear jar test using correct proportions to be tank mixed. It is the pesticide user's responsibility to ensure that all products are registered for the intended use. Read and follow the applicable restrictions and limitations and directions for use on all product labels involved in tank mixing. Users must follow the most restrictive directions for use and precautionary statements of each product in the tank mixture.

# RESTRICTION

Do not apply to trees that may be harvested for food consumption by humans or used in animal feed.

# [OPTIONAL USE DIRECTIONS "B"]

#### **USE RATES** Use as formulated or dilute with equivalent 1 to 3 volumes of water or more, as necessary. **Tree Diameter** Medium Low High (DBH) (Inches) (mL product/tree) (mL product/tree) (mL product/tree) 4 to 6 15 60 25 7 to 9 20 90 40 10 to 12 30 55 120 13 to 15 35 70 150 42 85 16 to 18 180 19 to 21 50 100 210 22 to 24 -115 240 25 to 27 130 270 \_ 145 300 28 to 30 \_ 31 to 33 160 330 -34 to 36 \_ 175 360 37 to 39 190 390 -40 to 42 205 410

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43 to 45	-	220	440
46 to 48	-	235	470
49 to 51	-	250	500
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55 to 57	-	280	560
58 to 60	-	295	590
61 to 63	-	310	620
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# **STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal. **Pesticide Storage:** Store in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets. Keep from freezing.

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

**Container Disposal:** Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Offer for recycling if available. Clean container promptly after emptying. Triple rinse as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration.

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#### **PRODUCT INFORMATION**

For the control of mature and immature insect and mite pests of deciduous, coniferous, and palm trees including, but not limited to, those growing in residential and commercial landscapes, parks, plantations, seed orchards, and forested sites (in private, municipal, state, tribal and national areas). The active ingredient, emamectin benzoate, is a glycoside insecticide and is formulated to translocate in the tree's vascular system when injected. It is active against immature and adult stages of arthropods, and its primary route of toxicity is through ingestion. This product must be placed into active sapwood and will actively control pests for up to two years.

**Factors Affecting Application:** Applications are most effective when made prior to insect infestation, and in conjunction with good cultural management practices. The species and health of the tree, as well as local environmental conditions, will determine the rate of uptake when using Ready to-Use (RTU) low-pressure injection technology.

**Environmental Conditions:** This technology relies on the natural uptake rate of the tree; and thus, factors that affect the transpiration rate can greatly affect the uptake rate. Transpiration is dependent on a number of factors, such as soil moisture, soil and ambient temperature, and time of day. For optimum uptake, apply when soil moisture is adequate and soil temperatures are above 45° F. Preferred conditions for injections are morning to early afternoon hours, with warm temperatures (55°-85°F/13°-30°C), accompanied by low humidity, clear skies and a slight breeze. Sunny conditions along with moist soil and a well-hydrated tree will also increase the transpiration rate and will therefore improve uptake. Conversely, cool temperatures, cloudy and/or evening skies and trees under moisture stress will slow down the rate of uptake. Extreme heat and cold temperatures will adversely affect rates as well.

Trees that have healthy vascular systems will have correspondingly higher uptake rates. Trees in advanced stages of pest development may not respond to treatment, as vascular plugging, caused by disease inhibits transpiration. If the device has not started to absorb within one hour, consider removing the device (following the proper sequence provided in the removal instructions) and; drill a new hole in a different area of the trunk and inject again. The injection devices need to be evenly placed at points on the trunk free of visible decay areas and wounds from the point of injection to where branching begins. If the device has not started to absorb within one hour after the second attempt, the vascular system of

the tree may be too compromised for treatment and there is significant decay in that local injection area.

**Monitor Tree Health and Pest Infestations:** Effective injection treatment is favored by a full canopy (i.e., leaves) and healthy vascular system. Once these tissues are compromised by pest damage (larval galleries, defoliation, leaf mining, etc.) an effective and uniform application may be difficult to achieve and subsequent control may be poor. For optimum results, treat at least 2 to 3 weeks before pests historically infest the host tree. As a result of systemic movement and longevity in trees, the interval may be extended much earlier to 6 months should tree dormancy, adverse weather, management, asynchronous life cycle of pests, etc., allow earlier application timing.

May also be effective as a remedial treatment against some pests, such as those with slower development or if multiple life stages are susceptible to the active ingredient. Pests that attack the stem and branches such as clearwing borers may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution in an infested tree. However, control may be achieved if larvae come into contact or feed on treated tissues.

# **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Injection dosages are based on the Diameter (inches or centimeters) of the tree at Breast Height "DBH"). DBH is the outside bark diameter of the trunk at 4.5 feet (1.37m) above the ground on the uphill side of the tree. For the purposes of determining breast height, the ground includes the duff layer that may be present, but does not include unincorporated woody debris that may rise above the ground line.

The diameter is determined by measuring the circumference of the tree at DBH, and dividing circumference (in inches) by three (3). To determine DBH for multi-stemmed woody ornamentals, measure the DBH for each stem or branch and add together for the total DBH per tree (Figure 1).

**Number of RTU Injection Devices Required for Treatment:** Take the DBH of the tree and divide by five (5) to determine the appropriate number of RTU injection devices to adequately treat the tree at the desired application rate. **DO NOT** treat newly established trees less than 5" DBH or 15" in circumference.

In the event that the tree has multiple trunks that separate less than three (3) feet from the ground (i.e., avocado, citrus, peach, etc.) each individual trunk must be treated separately to ensure equally homogenous distribution of solution to all parts of the tree. In this instance, each individual trunk must be measured in the same way as if the trunk were standing individually (Figure 1).

Refer to the **Application Rate/Number of RTU Injection Devices** chart. DO NOT exceed calculated number of RTU injection devices per tree as injury may occur.

**Preparing the Holes:** To ensure an equal and homogenous delivery of active ingredient to all parts of the tree's branching structure, space the required number of holes evenly around the circumference of the tree. Hole placement can range from lowest point at the roof flare to highest point of chest height (approximately 4.5 ft. [1.368m] above the ground). Injection holes must be at least 20" (50.80 cm) below the lowest branch on the trunk. The preferred method is to inject at the base of the tree, within 12" (30.48 cm) of the soil. Prepare injection sites in healthy wood free from any defects such as old wounds or decayed areas. Avoid any placement of devices in between the root flares where there is tight compression of the bark and cambium tissue.

Using an electric drill, select a 15/64'' (.58420 cm) fast spiral drill bit (for optimal performance, a highhelix drill bit is recommended). It is necessary to drill holes into the tree deep enough to reach the tree's vascular system for translocation of the active ingredient throughout the tree. Make injection holes at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch into healthy xylem (white wood) with actual depth up to 2 inches (5.08 cm) or more from the outer trunk surface depending upon the tree species and outer bark thickness. For conifer species with high resin pressure, drill holes higher on the trunk (36-48'' or 91.44-121.92 cm) and to a deeper drill depth of 2+ inches (5.08+ cm).

For optimal device performance and to minimize leakage and improve holding capacity of the injector, be sure to:

(1) use clean, sharp drill bits;

(2) slightly angle depth of hole downwards; and

(3) make one clean drill entrance into the tree (i.e., avoid multiple in-and-out motions of drill bit in hole) to reduce shavings residual left inside the hole. Follow good application practices by disinfecting drill bits prior to use on each tree to minimize the spread of disease where known infections occur (Figure 2).

**Inserting the Connector:** Once the injection site is drilled, insert the longer and thicker part of the connector into the tree hole, and secure its placement by push and twist of hand, or by gently tapping the connector with a nylon hammer or rubber mallet. The connector shall only be inserted to the point where it fits snugly in the hole. **DO NOT** force the connector too deep into the hole. Be sure to leave approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.27 cm) of open chamber at the end of the connector to allow the solution to collect and be pulled through the vascular system of the tree (Figure 3).

**Connecting the RTU Injection Device:** Remove the colored device cap and connect the RTU injection device to the connector by firmly pushing the connector through the membrane of the device top. To ensure the device is securely inserted, slightly twist and gently force the RTU injection device until it snaps into final position. The RTU Injection device can be placed upright, sideways, or upside-down on the connector depending upon the placement of the connector on the tree **(Figure 4)**.

**Resinous Conifers**: In resinous conifers, such as pine and spruce, start the injection immediately after drilling into the sapwood. A prolonged delay may reduce uptake due to resin flow into the opening.

Removing the RTU Injection Device: When the RTU injection device is emptied:

- (1) Remove the device from its connector; then
- (2) Remove the connector from the tree.

Gently shake the device to ensure all contents have been injected. If there is remaining material, reinsert the connector and connect the device for further uptake.

NOTE: The RTU injection device membrane will re-seal itself to avoid and leakage or spillage until it is repenetrated with the connector (Figure 5).

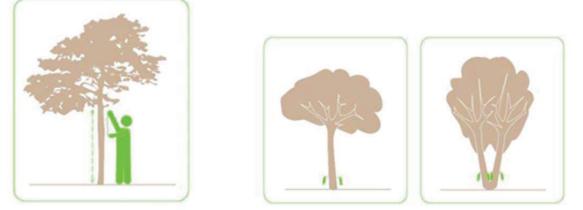
It is not necessary to treat the drill holes with wound paint or other sealing compounds.

#### **Retreatment:**

At the time of initial application, make note of the level of health of each tree. Re-evaluate level in treated trees at 12-month intervals to determine the need for treatment. Preventative applications

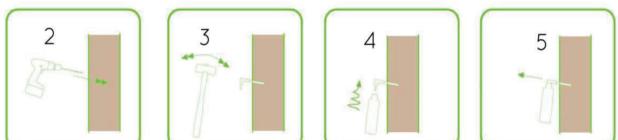
should be considered 12-36 months after the initial injection. Trees in high pest pressure areas or highly valued trees should be evaluated for retreatment 12 months after each treatment. Follow application procedures described above for repeat injections; new drill holes will be required for subsequent treatments. Stagger the holes equally in subsequent applications to ensure proper intake.

1. When making a determination for the site of the application using the RTU injection device, consideration should be taken for trunk configuration.



A. Single trunk trees: RTU injection device can be injected anywhere from the root flare to at least 20" (50.8 cm) below the branches, preferably at the base of the tree, within 12" (30.48 cm) of the soil.

B. Multi-stem trees: be sure to calculate the total diameter of the stems combined and install the devices evenly between the stems, preferably at the base of the tree, within 12" (30.48 cm) of the soil.



2. Using an electric drill, select a 15/64" (.58420 cm) fast-spiral high-helix drill bit and drill a hole 2" (5.08 cm) deep slightly angled downwards. Hole depth will vary depending on bark thickness. Hole placement can range from injection at the root flare to chest height (approximately 4.5 ft. [1.368 m] above the ground) remaining at least 20" (50.8 cm) below lowest branch. The preferred method is to inject at the base of the tree within 12" (30.48 cm) of the soil.

3. Insert the longer and thicker branch of the connector into tree hole and secure its placement by push and twist of hand OR by gently tapping the connector with a nylon hammer or rubber mallet

4. Remove colored cap and connect RTU injection device to the connector by firmly pushing the connector through the membrane of the device top. To ensure the device is securely inserted, slightly twist and snap the device into final position.

5. When the device is emptied, (1) first remove the device from its connector and then (2) remove the connector from the tree. Gently shake the device to ensure all contents have been injected. If there is remaining material, re-insert the connector and connect device for further uptake. Rate of uptake will vary and there is no need to cover the holes- the tree will heal naturally. Note: The injection device membrane will re-seal itself to avoid any leakage or spillage until it is re-penetrated with the connector.

	Application Rate	RTU Injector Table		
Tree Diameter Circumference Number of RTU Application Rat				
(DBH) (Inches)	(Inches)	Injectors	(mls)	
4 to 6	12 to 18	1	25	
7 to 9	21 to 27	2	50	
10 to 12	30 to 36	3	75	
13 to 15	39 to 45	3	75	
16 to 18	48 to 54	4	100	
19 to 21	57 to 63	4	100	
22 to 24	66 to 72	5	125	
25 to 27	75 to 81	6	150	
28 to 30	84 to 90	6	150	
31 to 33	93 to 99	7	175	
34 to 36	102 to 108	7	175	
37 to 39	111 to 117	8	200	
40 to 42	120 to 126	9	225	
43 to 45	129 to 135	9	225	
46 to 48	138 to 144	10	250	
49 to 51	147 to 153	10	250	
52 to 54	156 to 162	11	275	
55 to 57	165 to 171	12	300	
58 to 60	174 to 180	12	300	
61 to 63	183 to 189	13	325	
64 to 66	192 to 198	13	325	
67 to 69	201 to 207	14	350	
70 to 72	210 to 216	15	375	

# USE RATES - 25 ml Injector

Tree Tissue	Target Pest	Comments
	Pine Coneworm (Dioryctria spp.)	For optimal control apply in the
Seed and	<b>Cone Beetle<sup>1</sup></b> ( <i>Conopthora</i> spp.)	fall for early season pests or at
Cone	Pine Cone Seed Bug (suppression of Leptoglossus and	least 30 days before insect
	Tetyra spp. in the year of treatment)	attack.
	Aphid <sup>1</sup>	
	Bagworm	
	Cankerworm	
	Casebearer	
	Conifer Mites	
	Eastern Oak Looper	
	Elm Spanworm	
	Fall Webworm	
	Japanese Beetle	
	Gypsy Moth	
	Honeylocust Plant Bug	
	Leafminers (such as Lepidoptera, Coleoptera,	Apply at least 2-3 weeks before
	Hymenoptera)	the pest has historically been
Bud and	Leafrollers	present. Consult with local
Leaf	Linden Looper	extension agent for when this
	Mimosa Webworm	will occur in your area
	Oak Worm	
	Pine Needle Miner	
	Pine Needle Scale	
	Red Palm Mite	
	Sawfly (such as Elm, Pine)	
	Tent Caterpillars (such as Eastern, Forest, Pacific, and	
	Western)	
	Tussock Moth	
	Variable Oakleaf Caterpillar <sup>1</sup>	
	Western Spruce Budworm	
	Winter Moth	
	Yellownecked Caterpillar <sup>1</sup>	
	Ambrosia Beetles	
	Carpenterworm <sup>1</sup>	For antimal control conduct
	Clearwing Borers (such as Ash and Sequoia Pine Pitch	For optimal control apply at
	Tube Moth)	least 30 days before historical
	Cottonwood Twig Borer	egg hatch or adult
Shoot,	<b>Gall Wasp</b> (such as Banyan Stem and Cynipid <sup>1</sup> )	flight and to trees whose
Stem	Flatheaded Borers (such as adult and	vascular tissue is not damaged.
Trunk and	larvae of Bronze Birch Borer <sup>1</sup> , Emerald Ash Borer, and Two-lined Chestnut Borer <sup>1</sup> )	If yacquiar tissue is demograd an
Branch	Pinewood Nematode	If vascular tissue is damaged or
		plugged by insect galleries,
	Roundheaded Borers (excluding Asian Longhorn	nematodes or fungi, uniform
	Beetle)	treatment and control may not
	Scolytids (bark beetles) <i>ips</i> Engraver Beetles,	be achieved.
	Mountain Pine Beetle, Southern Pine Beetle, Spruce	
	Beetle, Western Pine Beetle	

<sup>1</sup>Not registered for use in California.

# RESTRICTION

Do not apply to trees that may be harvested for food consumption by humans or used in animal feed.

# **STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal. **Pesticide Storage:** Store in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets. Keep from freezing.

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

**Container Disposal:** Non-refillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Offer for recycling if available.

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