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Mr. Bobby Simoneaux Assistant Director Louisiana Dept of Agriculture & Forestry P.O. Box 3596 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3596

Subject:

SLN LA060003Amendment

Aerial application of Command 3ME Herbicide

Date Received: April 9, 2012

Dear Mr. Simoneaux:

The Environmental Protection Agency has received the label submitted in connection with the above amendment pursuant to Section 24(c) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended. This SLN permits aerial application of Command 3ME Herbicide for weed control in rice.

Active Ingredient:

Clomazone

SLN#:

LA060003

Parent Product:

Command 3ME Herbicide

EPA Reg.#:

279-3158

24(c) Registrant:

FMC Corporation, Agricultural Products Group

1735 Market Street

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Site:

Rice

Pest:

Grass and Broadleaf weeds

Date Amended:

March 27, 2012

Expiration Date:

March 27, 2017

In addition to the extension of the expiration date as you have requested, the Agency recently reviewed the aerial application of clomazone and found that additional label language is required as follows:

Clomazone transport via spray drift may result in effects to non-target plants located close (less than 1 mile) to the edge of the treated field. In order to reduce the potential for effects to non-target plants, including endangered and threatened species, the Aerial Application sections of the SLN label must include the following language to reduce spray drift:

- 1) The applicator must offset applications 1/2 swath towards the upwind direction
- 2) The applicator must use a coarse spray quality
- 3) Boom length from end nozzle to end nozzle should be 75% of less of wing span or rotor width
- 4) Do not apply in wind speeds greater than 10 mph
- 5) Do not apply during temperature inversions
- 6) Release height should be 10 ft or less above the canopy

We have also recently required the following revisions in connection with Command aerial SLN's: Revise the statement, "All applicable directions, ...", by adding the word, "ALL" before the word "registered", and move to the paragraph "Directions for Use", on the first page.

Remove the wording in the Rotational Crop Guidelines and replace with the following, "When applying mixtures of Command 3ME Herbicide, observe all rotational crop restrictions, pre-harvest interval requirements, and replanting instructions appearing on the labels of each product. Follow the most restrictive precautions and instructions for all products used".

Please modify all references to Facet to Facet 75 DF®.

With respect to SLN LA120005, League Herbicide is registered for aerial application to rice. Therefore, a federal 24(c) is not required. Rather the tank-mix must be included as an amendment to LA060003 and the registrant, Valent U.S.A., should voluntarily cancel SLN LA120005. If state regulations require a state label, there is no need to send those labels to EPA.

Please submit your final amended label for our SLN LA060003 file and ensure the registrant voluntarily cancels the tank mix SLN LA120005 no later than December 31, 2012. If you have any questions, please contact Libby Pemberton by phone at (703) 305-9542 or via email at pemberton.libby@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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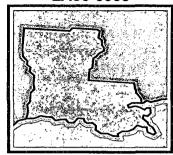


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EMERGENCY CALLS: 800-331-3148

This label will expire March 27, 2017

EPA SLN NO. LA06-0003



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Section 24(c) State Registration

IT IS A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW TO USE THIS PRODUCT IN A MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH ITS LABELING.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

For aerial application of Command® 3ME on rice.

Apply in a minimum of 5 gallons of finished spray per acre.

Apply prior to weed emergence during the period from 14 days pre-plant to 7 days post - plant or apply post-plant to rice at 1-2 leaf stage to provide pre-emergent and extended residual grass control. If grass is already present, include a post emergence grass herbicide with the application. Command 3ME may only be tank-mixed with one tank mix partner among the following herbicides: Aim[®], Bolero[®], Broadhead[™], Buccaneer Plus[®], Clincher[®], Comerstone[®], Credit[®] Extra, Duet[®], Durango[™], Facet[®], Glyphomax[®] Plus, Glyfos[®] X-tra, Grasp[®], Makaze[®], Mirage[®] Plus, Newpath[®], Permit[®], QuinStar[®] 75DF, QuinStar[®] 4L, Rattler[®], Ricestar[™], Stam[®], Super Wham![®], as well as Crop Oil Concentrate or Non-ionic surfactant. Only a single application of Command 3ME plus an approved glyphosate formulation is allowed per season.

The following herbicides may be added to Command 3ME + Aim for a three way tank mix: Facet, Newpath, Permit, Ricestar, or Super Wham!. The following herbicides may be added to Command 3ME + Grasp SC for a three / four way tank mix: Facet, Facet + Permit, Grandstand® R, Permit, QuinStar, QuinStar + Permit, or Super Wham!. The following three way tank mix of Command + Super Wham! Estam + Permit may be used. Crop Oil Concentrate or Non-ionic surfactant may be applied with Command 3 ME alone or with tank-mixes listed above.

Follow all directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA-approved label for each product in the tank mixture.

Observe all buffer restrictions noted in the Application Precautions and Restrictions sections.

Partial weed control may result if levees are pulled after Command 3ME has been applied.

Additional use of labeled post-emerge herbicide applications may be required where existing grass weeds are present at the time of application.

CROP	PESTS Barnyardgrass (Watergrass) (Including herbicide resistant types) Broadleaf Signalgrass Crabgrass (Large, Smooth)	RATE OF APPLICATION S			
		Soil Texture	Broadcast Rates Per Acre*	Pounds active Ingredient per Acre	Acres per Gallon
	Panicum (Common, Fall, Texas) Sprangletop	Coarse (light) Soils: (sand, loamy sand, sandy loam)	0.67-0.8 pts (10.7 - 12.8 fl oz)	0.25 - 0.3	12.0 - 10.0
		Medium Soils: (loam, silt, silt loam, sandy clay, sandy clay loam)	1.1 pts (17.1 fl oz)	0.4	7.5
		Fine (heavy) Soils: (silty clay, clay loam, silty clay loam, clay)	1.33 - 1.6 pts (21.3 - 25.6 fl oz)	0.5 - 0.6	6 - 5
		* Select lower to higher rates based on lighter to heavier soil types.			

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CROP SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

Application of Command® 3ME herbicide to fields that have been precision leveled with deep cuts may result in rice crop injury including stand loss. Consult with rice specialists for soil amending practices that can reduce potential for herbicide injury in precision-leveled fields.

AERIAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Aircraft used to apply Command 3ME shall be configured and operated in such manner as to minimize off-site spray movement to desirable species.

APPLICATION PRECAUTIONS:

Caution must be taken to minimize off target drift of Command 3ME as off-site movement of Command can cause foliar whitening or yellowing of some plants.

Do not apply Command 3ME herbicide within 1,200 feet of the areas listed below:

Towns and Housing Developments

Commercial Vegetable Production (except peppers, pumpkins, succulent peas, sweet com, sweet potato and winter squash)

Commercial Fruit / Nut Production

Commercial Nurseries

Commercial Greenhouses

Avoid making applications of Command 3ME herbicide when spray particles may be carried by air currents to areas where sensitive crops and plants are growing, or when temperature inversions exist. Prior to application, adjacent properties must be checked, and applications within 300 feet of desirable plants must be avoided.

RESTRICTIONS:

Command 3ME may be applied to water seeded rice 14 days prior to planting or during rice pegging up to re-flooding but prior to grass emergence.

With split applications do not apply more than a total of 1.6 pt/A Command 3ME (0.6 lbs ai/A) per season.

Do not apply Command 3ME herbicide on rice fields in which concurrent crayfish or catfish farming is included in the cultural practices. Do not use water containing Command 3ME residues from rice cultivation to irrigate food or feed crops, which are not registered for use with Command 3ME.

REPLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

If initial planting of rice fails to produce a uniform stand, rice may be replanted in fields treated with Command 3ME herbicide. Do not retreat fields with a second application of Command 3ME. Do not replant treated fields with any crop at intervals that are inconsistent with the ROTATIONAL CROP GUIDELINES on this labeling.

ROTATIONAL CROP GUIDELINES

Rotate to crops as listed below, otherwise crop injury may occur.

Note: When using Command 3ME herbicide with other registered herbicides always refer to rotational restrictions and precautions on the other product s label.

ANYTIME - Cotton*, Peas, Peppers, Pumpkins, Rice, Soybeans, Tobacco

9 MONTHS - Cotton, Corn (Field, Pop, Seed, Sweet), Cucurbits, Dry Beans, Peanuts, Potatoes, Snap Beans, Sorghum, Sugar Beets, Sweet Potatoes, Tomatoes (Transplanted)

12 MONTHS - All crops

 Refer to "REQUIREMENTS FOR PLANTING TIME APPLICATIONS" and "REPLANTING INSTRUCTIONS" in the Command 3ME Section 3 label.

ALL APPLICABLE DIRECTIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS ON THE EPA REGISTERED LABEL ARE TO BE FOLLOWED. THIS LABELING MUST BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE USER AT THE TIME OF PESTICIDE APPLICATION.

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