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Comments in Response to Registration Review; Pesticide Dockets Opened for Review and Comment for the pesticide acibenzolar (#7031)

The following comments are being submitted in response to the December 20, 2013 *Federal Register* notice regarding EPA's establishment of a registration review docket for the fungicide acibenzolar. These comments are being submitted on behalf of the Western Integrated Pest Management Center and provide input on the use of acibenzolar on turf in Hawai'i.

Acibenzolar is one of two active ingredients (a.i.) in an important fungicide for golf course turf maintenance in Hawai'i. The other a.i., chlorothalonil, is the major component in this product. Chlorothalonil is the sole a.i. as well as a component of other fungicide products for use on turf. However, the acibenzolar combination product is often selected for disease control. Acibenzolar and chlorothalonil have different modes of action, and, so, using the combination may help prevent development of disease resistance. The product is considered to be a good addition to an Integrated Pest Mangement (IPM) program. The single most important use for this fungicide is probably for dollar spot control. It is also effective against anthracnose and *Pythium* blight.

This information has been provided by an extension agents and specialist of the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources and an agricultural chemical vendors.

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