Dimethoate Use on Cole Crops in California

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Subject: Re: Dimethoate - REIs for Broccoli and Cauliflower; status of Celery

Dr. Chin,

An rei of 5 days in coastal cole crops may be a little too much for most growers since in the spring and summer these crops move very quickly and the grower needs to get back into the field in a timely manner to perform certain cultural practices. Would the use of sprinklers in the field make our arid climate (central coastal California) a non-arid climate? Just something to think about.

- David Holden

Teung.F.Chin@aphis.usda.gov wrote:

Dear Colleagues:

EPA is proposing to increase the REIs from two days to five days in arid areas (the REIs will remain 2 days in non-arid areas) for cauliflower and broccoli (at the 0.5 lb ai/Acre rate; 3 applications, 7 days between treatments.)

Please let me know if 5 days for REIs for bro! ccoli and cauliflower in non-arid areas is unacceptable.

Also, we are still discussing the maximum numbers of applications on celery at the 0.5 lb ai/Acre rate with 7 days between treatments. FYI. The REI will be reduced to one day in non-arid areas and stay the same in Arid areas at 2 days.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Best regards,

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