

Fenamiphos Information Request

On 13 Jul 2011 at 20:38, Chin, Teung F. (APHIS) wrote:

Sheryl: Fenamiphos, an OP nematicide and insecticide, has long been designated for voluntary cancellation by the registrant for lack of supporting data (the product's sales did not support the cost for data generation)

Apparently the pineapple growers need an extension to deplete supplies. I am copying Cathy Tarutani, Extension Service in Hawaii to see if she has additional information on the Hawaiian growers' needs. Puerto Rico has not been engaged on pineapple or banana issues.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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From: Kunickis, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2011 2:27 PM
To: Epstein, David; Chin, Teung F. (APHIS); Rogers, Ted; Smith, Kent;
Coble, Harold Subject: FW: Fenamiphos: Comment Invited on Extension of
Existing Stocks Sale and Distribution Date and Establishment of
End-Use Date

FYI: this was published in the Federal Register. If someone could provide any background for David and me, it would be appreciated. We will respond as needed. Thanks, Sheryl

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From: Eric Miederhoff [mailto:Miederhoff.Eric@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2011 1:45 PM
To: Kunickis, Sheryl
Cc: Tracy Perry
Subject: Fw: Fenamiphos: Comment Invited on Extension of Existing Stocks Sale and Distribution
Date and Establishment of End-Use Date

EPA is seeking comment on an Agency proposal to allow sale and distribution of existing stocks of the fenamiphos product, NemaCur 3 Emulsifiable Systemic Insecticide-Nematicide (EPA Reg. No. 264-731), for one additional year and prohibiting use of existing stocks of all fenamiphos products after three years. This proposal was developed in response to a request from Maui Pineapple, an end user, to allow additional time to sell and distribute existing stocks of NemaCur 3 Emulsifiable which contains the active ingredient fenamiphos. Following a 30-day public comment period, unless substantive comments are received, EPA intends to amend the existing stocks provision of the fenamiphos cancellation order, granting the request for persons other than the

registrant to sell and distribute existing stocks of this fenamiphos product for one year from the issuance date of the order and prohibiting all fenamiphos use after three years from the issuance date of the order.

Fenamiphos is an organophosphate insecticide whose product registrations were voluntarily cancelled by the registrant. The product cancellations became effective on May 31, 2007. Sale and distribution of existing stocks of EPA Reg. No. 264-731 by persons other than the registrant were prohibited after March 31, 2009 and end users were allowed to use existing stocks of all fenamiphos products until supplies were exhausted.

The proposed extension of the sale and distribution date for EPA Reg. No. 264-731 would allow for a redistribution of existing product already in the hands of end users; no new fenamiphos products would enter the marketplace. In addition, while the Agency had initially allowed use of existing stocks of fenamiphos products until exhausted, it did not anticipate that fenamiphos products would not move through the channels of trade and be depleted by end users in a timely manner. Therefore, the Agency is now proposing to prohibit use of all fenamiphos products three years after publication of the final amended order.

Comments to this notice can be submitted to the docket (EPA-HQ-OPP-2003-0200) at the Federal rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. For background information on EPA's reevaluation of fenamiphos, see <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/reregistration/fenamiphos/>.

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