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#### **CERTIFIED MAIL**

Dear Registrant:

On March 13, 2001, the Special Review and Reregistration Division (SRRD) of the Environmental Protection Agency (hereafter referred to as EPA or the Agency) mailed the Interim Registration Eligibility Decision (IRED) for Phorate to all registrants with phorate pesticide registrations. Since that time, SRRD has identified certain errors in the printed version of the document and has made some minor edits to the IRED document. Please note that the changes do not impact the regulatory decisions or data requirements as stated in the March 2001 document. This letter is to inform you what changes were made and where the revised or inadvertently omitted language should be in the IRED document. The Agency will soon post the revised IRED for Phorate on the EPA website at the following internet address www.epa.gov/pesticides/reregistration/status.htm.

### The following changes have been made to the March 2001 document:

On page 43 in the "PPE Requirements Established by the RED<sup>1</sup>" section, the amended labeling language "Mixers, loaders, applicators and other handlers must wear:" should be:

#### Loader, applicators, and other handlers must wear:

- \* long sleeved shirt and long pants,
- \* shoes plus socks

In addition loaders must wear:

\* chemical-resistant gloves

On page 44 in the "Engineering Controls" section, in the amended labeling language, the filter type  $N^*$  should be  $N^2$  wherever mentioned (i.e., refer the reader to footnote 2).

On page 44 in the "Engineering Controls" section, the second paragraph of the amended labeling language reads "Applicators must use an enclosed cab that meets the definition in the Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides for dermal protection or in an open cab must use the PPE listed above. In addition the applicator:" The correct language is:

"Applicators must use an enclosed cab that meets the definition in the Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides for dermal protection. In addition the applicator:

must wear PPE specified above,

## must either use an enclosed cab that also provides equivalent respiratory protection...."

Changes were also made to Appendix A. Table of Use Patterns Eligible For Reregistration. On page 52, the row for the **Corn**, **Field Broadcast Prior to tassel emergence air use** has been deleted since aerial application is prohibited and all uses must be soil incorporated. These measures are required to mitigate avian risk as well as drinking water concerns.

On page 53, the row for the **Peanuts Soil banded at pegging ground use** has also been deleted since phorate use on peanuts at pegging is prohibited due to drinking water concerns.

On page 55, a row for use on Lilies and Daffodils (field grown) has been inserted after Radishes grown for seed (and before Sorghum). It was inadvertently omitted in the March 2001 document and should read as:

Lilies and Daffodils (field grown)							
Soil incorporated at plant or as side dressing after planting (For State Registrations Only)	10% G [CA87006900]	8.0 lb/A	1	N/A			

As mentioned above, the Agency will post the correct Phorate IRED soon, but if you have any questions concerning the pesticide phorate or any questions about the changes to the printed phorate IRED previously mailed to you, please feel free to contact John Pates, the Chemical Review Manager (CRM) for phorate at (703) 308-8195 or John Leahy, SRRD Team Leader for phorate at (703) 305-6703. Please note that as of August 13<sup>th</sup>, I have been reassigned within OPP and I am no longer the Chemical Review Manager for phorate but I will assist John Pates (the new CRM) during the transition period.

Sincerely, Ben Chamblis

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