

No.2445 Announcement of the Ministry of Agriculture, P.R.China

In order to safeguard the quality safety of agricultural products, the safety of ecological environment and the safety of people's life, we decide to take the following control measures against 8 pesticides, i.e. 2,4-d butyl ester, Paraquat, Kelthane, Flubendiamide, Carbofuran, Thimet, Isofenphos-methyl and aluminum phosphide in accordance with provisions in the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, and the Regulations on the Control of Pesticides, upon consideration by the National Pesticide Registration Review Committee and through soliciting public comments. Now the control measures are announced as follows.

I. As of the date of this Announcement, no field trial and registration application will be accepted and approved any longer for 2,4-d butyl ester (including its original medicines, technical concentrates, single dosage, and compound preparation, the same below); no renewal registration application will be accepted and approved any longer for the domestic use of 2,4-d butyl ester. Registration of original medicine producers will be reserved for the overseas use of 2,4-d butyl ester products. At the time of renewal registration, original medicine producers are permitted to apply for changing the existing registration to registration for overseas use only.

II. As of the date of this Announcement, no field trial and registration application will be accepted and approved any longer for Paraquat, and no renewal registration application will be accepted and approved any longer for the domestic use of Paraquat. Registration of technical concentrates producers will be reserved for overseas use. At the time of renewal registration, technical concentrates producers are permitted to apply for changing the existing registration to registration for overseas use only.

III. As of the date of this Announcement, the pesticide registration of Kelthane will be revoked. As of October 1st, 2018, the sale and use of Kelthane will be completely banned.

IV. As of the date of this Announcement, the pesticide registration of Flubendiamide will be revoked for its use on rice crops. As of October 1st, 2018, Flubendiamide will be banned from its use on rice crops.

V. As of the date of this Announcement, the pesticide registration of Carbofuran, Thimet and Isofenphos-methyl will be revoked for their use on sugarcane crops. As of October 1st, 2018, Carbofuran, Thimet and Isofenphos-methyl on sugarcane crops will be banned from their use on sugarcane crops.

VI. As of the date of this Announcement, aluminum phosphide products shall be produced with both inner and outer package. The outer package shall be air-tight, water-proof, damp-proof, and gas-leakage-resistant. The inner package shall be permeable for easy direct fumigation. Both the inner and outer package shall be marked with the words of "HIGHLY TOXIC" and "DO NOT USE AT HUMAN AND LIVESTOCK INHABITED PLACES", etc. As of October 1st, 2018, no aluminum phosphide products otherwise packaged will be permitted for sale and use.

The Ministry of Agriculture
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