TO: PESTICIDE REGISTRANTS AND APPLICANTS

SUBJECT: ACCEPTABLE FINAL PESTICIDE PRODUCT LABELS

All applications to register new pesticide products or amend currently registered products must be accompanied by labeling in accordance with California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6170. CCR section 6170 states, “The product labeling should be printer’s proof, final printed labels or legible photocopies, thereof. If typescript labels are submitted with the application, printer’s proof, final labels or legible photocopies, thereof, must be submitted before a Certificate of Registration (License) for the product will be issued.”

The Pesticide Registration Branch (PRB) will continue to accept the submission of pesticide labels in the form of Word® documents during evaluation of the application. However, printer’s proof, final printed labels must be submitted before PRB will license the product for sale and use in California.

For products that require scientific evaluation, the final printed or printer’s proof labels must be submitted within the 30-day posting period. Failure to do so will result in the denial of the product application. For products that do not require scientific evaluation (e.g., additional brand name, distributor registration, identical to a product previously approved), final printed or printer’s proof labels should be submitted with your application. Failure to do so, without a DPR accepted explanation as to when you will be submitting final printed or printer’s proof labels will result in the return of your application as incomplete.

Applications submitted concurrently to the Department of Pesticide Regulation and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) will be given 6 months, from the date the product is posted proposed for registration, to obtain federal registration and submit a final printed or printer’s proof label (along with the stamped accepted U.S. EPA label) to the Department.

DPR will continue to accept Master Labels in Word® document format because such products cannot be sold or distributed in California. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Kubiak, Ombudsman for the Registration Branch at (916) 324-3939 or by email at rkubiak@cdpr.ca.gov.

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