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TO: PESTICIDE REGISTRANTS AND APPLICANTS

SUBJECT: REGISTRATION OF MASTER LABELS

Effective immediately, the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) will register each Master Label as a separate product registration. Each new Master Label must be accompanied by all items applicable to a new product registration such as, a completed application form, six copies of the label, a \$750 application fee, etc. A Master Label is a pesticide product label bearing all U.S. Environmental Protection Agency accepted uses for that product. However, the company does not intend to market that label for sale and use in California.

After receipt of an application for registration of a Master Label, your specialist will review the submission to verify that all necessary items have been submitted. If DPR previously approved all claims on the Master Label, the label may be accepted without further data or evaluation. If DPR only previously approved some or none of the claims, the company may need to submit data to support those claims, and the submission may require scientific evaluation.

If the label is acceptable and the submission complete, the specialist will stamp the label using a designated Master Label stamp. This stamp indicates that the label is not intended for sale or distribution in the State of California. Licensing will record the brand name of the product on the license and in DPR's product database using the prefix "Master Label - (Brand Name)." The addition of the prefix will distinguish a Master label from a marketing label with the same brand name. In addition, all Master Labels will be assigned the alpha code "ML." (For example: "Master Label - XX Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. XXX-XX-ML.") This will allow both internal and external users of DPR's databases to identify Master Labels.

At the end of each calendar year, a \$750 renewal fee will be required for each Master Label. In addition, the \$100 amendment fee will apply to each submission of a substantive amendment to a Master Label.

Currently Registered Master Labels

The licenses of companies with currently registered Master Labels will be revised to include the "Master Label" prefix and the alpha code "ML." DPR's database will be updated and a revised license sent to the company.



Master Labels On File At DPR, But Not Separately Registered

All Master Labels currently on file with the Department, but not registered as a separate product (i.e., the Master Label bore the same brand name as the marketing label, and therefore, was placed in the same file), will be placed in a new separate file. The licenses of companies with such products will be revised to list the Master Label products separately with the "Master Label" prefix and the alpha code "ML." DPR's database will be updated and a revised license sent to the company. Any company that wishes to retain the registration of its Master Label after January 1, 2007, must submit a \$750 renewal fee for each Master Label.

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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