

Subsection 18(1) Updated Announcement of Initiation of Special Review – Scope Expansion for Special Review Under Subsection 17(7) of the Pest Control Products Act (PCPA)

Active Ingredient: Dicamba

Reference Number: 2019-6324

Date Sent: 15 March 2022

Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) initiated a special review of pest control products containing the active ingredient dicamba (Submission Number 2019-6324) on 30 January 2020 as per subsection 17(1) of the *Pest Control Products Act* (PCPA).

Pursuant to subsection 17(1) of the PCPA, the PMRA had initiated a special review of registered pest control products containing the active ingredient dicamba used for over-the-top (OTT) application. OTT products containing dicamba refer to those for which the application timing includes post emergence and on actively growing plants (application in late June to early August). A preliminary analysis of incident reports and data indicated that the criteria listed in subsection 17(1) of the PCPA were met, and the special review was initiated. The aspect of concern for this special review was:

- Potential risks related to non-target terrestrial plants from the use of over-the-top (OTT) dicamba products.

Scope Expansion

As the review of the incident reports which triggered this special review progressed, it was determined that the potential risk to non-target terrestrial plant from volatilization of dicamba is no longer considered to be limited to the products initially included in the special review (i.e., over-the-top (OTT) dicamba products). Therefore, pursuant to subsection 17(7) of the PCPA, the PMRA has expanded the scope of the special review to all registered pest control products containing the active ingredient dicamba (OTT and non-OTT). The aspect of concern for this special review is now defined as:

- Risk to non-target terrestrial plants from the use dicamba products (OTT and non-OTT) when air temperatures exceed 25°C during the application season.

Information Requested from Registrants

No additional data is required at this time. PMRA has received all required data and is moving forward with the review of these data as part of the special review.

Registrants to Whom the Notice was Sent

Albaugh LLC
BASF Canada Inc.
Bayer Cropsience Inc.
Corteva Agriscience Canada Company
FMC of Canada Limited
Gharda Chemicals International Inc.
Interprovincial Cooperative Limited
Loveland Products Canada, Inc.
Newagco Inc.
Nufarm Agriculture Inc.
PBI/Gordon Corp.
Intelligro
Premier Tech Ltd.
Superior Control Products Inc.
Sharda Cropchem Limited
Scotts Canada Ltd.
Syngenta Canada Inc.