

Evaluation Report for Category B, Subcategories 2.1, 2.3, 2.4 Application

Application Number: 2022-2016

Application: New End-use Product (Product Chemistry) – Guarantee, Identity

of Formulants, and Proportion of Formulants

Product: Liberty 180 SN Herbicide

Registration Number: 35075

Active ingredient (a.i.): Glufosinate-ammonium

PMRA Document Number: 3537351

Purpose of Application

The purpose of this application was to register the new end-use product, Liberty 180 SN Herbicide, for post-emergent use in glufosinate-ammonium tolerant canola grown in the Prairie provinces and interior of British Columbia only.

Chemistry Assessment

Liberty 180 SN Herbicide is formulated as a solution containing glufosinate-ammonium at a concentration of 180 g/L. This end-use product has a density of 1.08-1.104 g/mL and pH of 6.5-8.5. The required chemistry data for Liberty 180 SN Herbicide have been provided, reviewed and found to be acceptable.

Health Assessments

Liberty 180 SN Herbicide is of low acute toxicity via the oral, dermal, and inhalation routes of exposure. It is extremely irritating to the eyes, mildly irritating to the skin and it is a dermal sensitizer.

The use pattern of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide containing glufosinate-ammonium is comparable to the registered use pattern of the precedent product. Potential exposure for mixers, loaders, applicators, bystanders and postapplication workers is not expected to exceed the current exposure to the registered products of this active ingredient. No health risks of concern are expected for workers and bystanders when label directions, precautions and restrictions are followed.

No new residue data for glufosinate-ammonium in canola were submitted or were required to support the registration of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide. Previously reviewed residue data from field trials conducted in/on canola were reassessed in the framework of this application. In addition, processing studies in treated canola were also reassessed to determine the potential for concentration of residues of glufosinate-ammonium into processed commodities.



The use directions on the Liberty 180 SN Herbicide label, include the target crop canola, method (ground and aerial), rates and timing of application, geographic restrictions, preharvest intervals, feeding restrictions, and crop rotation restrictions are comparable to those on the label of the precedent end-use product.

Residues of glufosinate-ammonium in treated canola as a result of these uses will be covered by the established maximum residue limit (MRL) for the crop commodity. Consequently, dietary exposure to residues of glufosinate-ammonium is not expected to increase with the registration of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide and will not pose health risks of concern to any segment of the population, including infants, children, adults and seniors.

Environmental Assessment

The registration of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide for post-emergent control of a broad spectrum of grassy and broadleaf weeds in glufosinate-ammonium tolerant canola does not pose any additional risk to the environment when used according to the label directions.

Value Assessment

The registration of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide provides users with a higher concentrated formulation of glufosinate-ammonium, which allows a reduction in product volume while applying the same amount of active ingredient per hectare. The reduction in product volume reduces plastic containers, costs of product transportation, and spaces for product storage contributing to agricultural sustainability.

Value information submitted for review consisted of scientific rationales, a precedent registration, and data from replicated field trials. This information collectively demonstrated that efficacy and crop tolerance of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide are comparable to the precedent product and the registration of this product has acceptable value.

Conclusion

The Pest Management Regulatory Agency has completed an assessment of the information provided, and has found the information acceptable to support the registration of Liberty 180 SN Herbicide.

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