

Evaluation Report for Category B, Subcategory 2.1, 2.3, 2.4, 2.6, 3.1 Application

Application Number:	2016-6798
Application:	New end use product; new combination of TGAIs, changes to guarantee, formulant identity and proportion, and application rates
Product:	GF-3538 Herbicide
Registration Number:	33028
Active ingredients (a.i.):	Fluroxypyr (present as 1-methylheptylester) and pyroxsulam
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Purpose of Application

The purpose of this application was to register GF-3538 Herbicide, which contains a new combination of actives (fluroxypyr, present as 1-methylheptylester, and pyroxsulam) for use on wheat (spring, durum and winter) in the Prairie Provinces and interior of of British Columbia.

Chemistry Assessment

GF-3538 Herbicide is formulated as suspension emulsion containing fluroxypyr (present as 1methylheptylester) at 113.5 g/L and pyroxsulam at 12.8 g/L. This end use product has a density of 1.0076 g/mL and pH of 5.02. The required chemistry data for GF-3538 Herbicide have been provided, reviewed and found to be acceptable.

Health Assessments

In rats, GF-3538 Herbicide is of low acute toxicity by the oral, dermal, and inhalation routes of exposure. The formulation is mildly irritating to the rabbit eye and skin. It is a skin sensitizer in mice.

The use of GF-3538 Herbicide on spring wheat, durum wheat and winter wheat (not underseeded with legumes) is not expected to result in potential occupational or bystander exposure over the registered use of pyroxsulam, fluroxypyr present as 1-methylheptyl ester and the safener cloquintocet acid. No health risks of concern are expected when workers follow label directions and wear personal protective equipment as stated on the label.

New food residue data were not submitted for pyroxsulam, fluroxypyr-meptyl and the safener cloquintocet acid to support the registration of GF-3538 Herbicide. Previously reviewed residue data were considered in the context of the current submission. The established maximum residue limits (MRLs) for these two active ingredients and the safener are adequate to cover the expected residue levels resulting from the use of GF-3538 Herbicide. The dietary exposure assessments on file are also considered acceptable to estimate the dietary exposure and no health risks of concern have been identified for any segment of the population including infants, children, adults and



seniors.

Environmental Assessment

The use pattern for GF-3538 Herbicide, including the application rates, sites and methods, is within the registered use pattern for other registered products containing fluroxypyr and pyroxsulam. Therefore no additional environmental risk is expected from the use of the GF-3538 Herbicide. The label contains all the applicable and required environmental hazards and precaution statements, including buffer zone information.

Value Assessment

The availability of GF-3538 Herbicide will provide wheat farmers in western Canada with an option to use a co-formulated product to manage both grasses and broadleaf weeds in spring, durum and winter wheat. The benefits of a co-formulated product include a reduction in packaging requirements, ease of shipping and storing product and a reduction in handling requirements, from production through to the farm end user (e.g. loading into the sprayer).

Efficacy and host crop tolerance data from field trials conducted in western Canada were provided for review. The provided trial data demonstrated that GF-3538 Herbicide applied at the high rate of 1.17 L/ha (148 g ai/ha) would be expected to perform in a similar manner (efficacy and crop tolerance) to that of the precedent products. At the low rate of 0.88 L/ha (111 g ai/ha), the majority of weed claims were supported. When tank mixed with 2,4-D Ester for broader spectrum weed control, all weed claims were supported and acceptable crop tolerance would be expected.

No rotational crop tolerance data were provided for review. However, given that 1) the rotational crops for GF-3538 Herbicide are the most restrictive of those that appear on the precedent product labels and 2) residual soil carryover of the active ingredients in GF-3538 Herbicide are not typically influenced by formulation differences, all rotational cropping claims can be supported for the GF-3538 Herbicide label.

Conclusion

The Pest Management Regulatory Agency has completed an assessment of the information provided, and has found the information sufficient to support the registration of GF-3538 Herbicide for postemergent use on wheat (spring, durum and winter) in the Prairie Provinces and interior of British Columbia.

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