

Evaluation Report for Category B, Subcategory 2.1, 2.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6, 3.11 Application

Application Number: 2015-6742
Application: New EP Product Chemistry: Guarantee and New Combination of TGAI; New to Product Labels: Application Rate Increase or Decrease, New Pests, Application Timing, Rotational Crops\Plantback Interval, and Pre-Harvest Interval
Product: CS-Blend 8 Herbicide
Registration Number: 32580
Active ingredients (a.i.): Tribenuron-methyl, Thifensulfuron-methyl, Metsulfuron-methyl and Pyroxsulam
PMRA Document Number: 2626500

Purpose of Application

The purpose of this application was to register a new end-use product, CS-Blend 8 Herbicide, containing four active ingredients: tribenuron-methyl, thifensulfuron-methyl, metsulfuron-methyl and pyroxsulam, for use on spring and durum wheat grown in the Prairie Provinces and Peace River region of British Columbia.

Chemistry Assessment

CS-Blend 8 Herbicide is formulated as wettable granules containing tribenuron-methyl at nominal concentration of 5.9%, thifensulfuron-methyl at nominal concentration of 11.9%, metsulfuron-methyl at nominal concentration of 1.8% and pyroxsulam at nominal concentration of 13.2%. This end-use product has a density of 0.48-0.68 g/mL and pH of 4.3-7.3. The required chemistry data for CS-Blend 8 Herbicide have been provided, reviewed and found to be acceptable.

Health Assessments

CS-Blend 8 Herbicide is considered to be of low acute toxicity by the oral, dermal, and inhalation routes. It is considered to be mildly irritating to the eye and slightly irritating to the skin. It is considered to be a potential dermal sensitizer.

The use pattern of the end-use product fits within the registered use pattern for pyroxsulam, tribenuron-methyl, metsulfuron-methyl and thifensulfuron-methyl. The potential exposure to pyroxsulam, thifensulfuron-methyl, tribenuron-methyl and metsulfuron-methyl for mixers/loaders, applicators and postapplication re-entry workers is not expected to result in risks of concern from the use of CS-Blend 8 Herbicide.

The use pattern on the CS-Blend 8 Herbicide label is identical to, or more restrictive than, the registered use patterns on the labels of the precedent products. Therefore, residues of these active substances in/on treated commodities are not expected to increase and will be covered under the maximum residue limits (MRLs) currently established. Consequently, the dietary exposure to residues of pyroxsulam, thifensulfuron-methyl, tribenuron-methyl and metsulfuron-methyl is not expected to increase with the registration of CS-Blend 8 Herbicide and will not pose health risks of concern to any segment of the population, including infants, children, adults and seniors.

Environmental Assessment

The rates, number of applications and application methods for pyroxsulam, thifensulfuron-methyl, tribenuron-methyl and metsulfuron-methyl in CS-Blend 8 Herbicide are within those registered for the active ingredients alone or in combination on other registered product labels. Environmental concerns have been mitigated through appropriate statements on the product label.

Value Assessment

CS-Blend 8 Herbicide will offer a one-pass application for the control of both broadleaf and grassy weeds. This new blend will be dispensed through a PrecisionPac system, which will allow dispensing in volumes based on field size or sprayer tank size, thereby reducing product waste and packaging, and minimizing sprayer errors (e.g. rate calculations). CS-Blend 8 Herbicide is compatible with integrated pest management programs, and may be used with conventional tillage, minimum tillage and no-till systems. CS-Blend 8 Herbicide contains the active ingredient pyroxsulam, which is a Group 2 graminicide. As some wild oat populations have developed resistance to Group 1 Herbicides, this pyroxsulam -containing product will offer an alternative mode of action for the control of wild oats.

Efficacy data from seven field trials conducted in 2014-2015 across locations in western Canada were provided to demonstrate that CS-Blend 8 Herbicide, with or without the addition of a reduced rate of MCPA ester, would not result in wild oat antagonism. Based on the wild oat data that were provided for review, in conjunction with existing precedent product registrations and the applicant's attestation to several years of positive grower use history with certain precedent product tank mix combinations, adequate control or suppression of all labelled weeds would be expected.

Host crop tolerance data from seven field trials demonstrated that CS-Blend 8 Herbicide applied alone would provide acceptable spring wheat tolerance. Further data were also provided to demonstrate that adequate spring wheat tolerance to CS-Blend 8 Herbicide in tank mix with a reduced rate of MCPA ester would be expected. Based on the spring wheat data that were provided, in conjunction with existing precedent product registrations, adequate tolerance of both spring and durum wheat to CS-Blend 8 Herbicide would be expected.

A scientific rationale was provided in support of some of the rotational cropping claims for CS-Blend 8 Herbicide. The remainder of the claims fit within the current use pattern of registered products. Accordingly, the most restrictive rotational cropping interval of the registered use pattern was used for defining the rotational cropping claims for CS-Blend 8 Herbicide. The same reasoning was used to support a rainfastness claim of 2 hours for CS-Blend 8 Herbicide.

Conclusion

The PMRA has reviewed the available information in support of this application and has determined that the registration of the end-use product, CS-Blend 8 Herbicide, can be supported.

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