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Clothianidin Technical Insecticide
EPA Reg. No. 59639-173
(Formerly, 74207-1, 10308-32)
Extension of the Period of Exclusive Data Use
for the Active Ingredient: Clothianidin

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ATTENTION: Minor Use Exclusive Use Request

Dear Mrs. Laws

Valent U.S.A. Corporation is pleased to submit a petition to extend the period of exclusive data use for the pesticide clothianidin. The ten-year exclusivity statute is established under FIFRA Section 3(c) (1) (F) (i). The extension is determined by the number of minor uses added within the first seven years of the exclusive use period to the first registration of the active ingredient, with one additional year of exclusivity granted for every three minor use registrations, up to a maximum of three years. The first registration granted for clothianidin is Clothianidin Technical Insecticide under the EPA Reg. No. 74207-1. As explained in the attached document, we believe clothianidin qualifies for an additional three years of exclusive use data protection.

Granting a three-year extension to the period of exclusive data use for clothianidin will change the ten-year period described in FIFRA to thirteen years, extending the expiration date from May 30, 2013 to May 30, 2016. In accordance with FIFRA Section 3(c)(1)(F)(i) this period of exclusive use pertains to all data submitted to support the application for the original registration of the pesticide and to all data submitted to support applications for amendments adding new uses to the registration.

Thank you for your consideration this request. We look forward to a positive decision in the near future. If you have any questions, please contact me at 214-784-5536 (sshen@valent.com). Three sets of petition hard copies along with 3 CDs (with insertion of links) are enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sue-Chi Shen".

Sue-Chi Shen
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