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## Status of the Label Review Manual

- The Label Review Manual (LRM) is guidance for OPP product management team members who are responsible for performing label reviews. The LRM does not establish new guidance, but instead compiles and reiterates existing Agency policies and interpretations of statutory and regulatory provisions. The LRM also contains the boilerplate language used on product labels.
- The goal of the LRM is to improve the quality and consistency of pesticide product labels. In addition, it may be useful for state label reviewers, registrants and other individuals interested in producing readable, unambiguous, and enforceable pesticide labels.
- Beginning in September 2010, OPP posted LRM chapters at regular intervals for public review and comment through the Enable the Label online discussion forum. One of the goals of this process was to identify problematic label statements and help improve the clarity of product labels.
  - All comments received through this process have now been reviewed and EPA is updating the LRM based on those comments.
  - As a result of this process, EPA has updated and posted on the web 14 of the 18 chapters of the LRM (four of those chapters were just updated and posted this month).
  - We expect to be able to update the remaining chapters over the course of this fiscal year.