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SUBJECT: PARANITROPHENOL, Fungicide for Leather. Section 18 Exemption. U.S. Army

Natick Research & Development Command, Natick, Mass. 01760.

FROM:

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TO: Mr. Don Rodier, Special Registrations Section.

Under Section 18 of Amended FIFRA, the Army requests another extension of its exemption from requirements of registration of paranitrophenol for use as a fungicide and fungistatic agent in or on leather articles. The current exemption expires in June, 1979.

Officials and scientists from the Department of Defense have been diligent in planning and conducting safety studies we have requested. I see no reason why the Section 18 exemption may not be extended.

RECOMMENDATION: Toxicology Branch again recommends extending the Section 18 exemption. The Department of the Army might be requested to furnish reports of the studies as they are completed.