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Evaluation of Pesticide Petition No. 070934 for Ethyl Guthion on Cotton and Potatoes Filed January 15, 1970, by Chemagro

#### INTRODUCTION

Chemical name is 0,0-Diethyl S-(4-pxo-1,2,3-benzotriagin-3 (6H)-ylmethyl) phosphorodithicate. Also called ethyl Suthion and aginphos ethyl.

An old chemical, usually sold in formulations with (mothyl) Guthion As GUTHION M-E SC.

Asking tolerance of 0.1 ppm is cottonseed and potatoes.

Backgrounds These are NR uses. Previous petition 870653 was turned down by FDA because of toxicology, metabolitic questions, analytical methods and residues.

Formulation is SC containing

11.1% Ethyl Guthion

11.1% Methyl Guthion

71.8% Pet. Dist

6.0% Inert

Only metabolite is the oxygen analog.

# DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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Cotton

0.5 1b. Act Guthion/A

0.5 lb. Act Ethyl Guthion/A

7 day PHI

Do not pasture, do not feed.

Potatoes

0.365 Lb. Act/A Guthion/A 0.385 Lb. Act/A Ethyl Guthion

14 day PHI

### ANALYTICAL METHODS

Thermionic emission GLC and colorimetric method (previously accepted).

GLC Does not measure the oxygen analog. Not necessary but is only 10% of parent. Alternate GLC method uses a different column. Colorimetric method measures the o-analog also.

## DISCUSSION OF DATA

No data tree for potatoes. Previous patition states that this proposed use will beer less than 0.1 ppm total residues in potatoes. (14 day 3/8 lb. act athyl and 3/8 lb. act methyl).

Cotton data show 0.05 ppm total residues (M and E) in undelinted cotton seed. (12 analyses). There are high residues in foliage and gin most, so we need the caution against feeding and grazing. Have data for up to 14 applications on cotton.

Rain data supplied storage stability data supplied. Then uses presently registered residues in cottonseed meal are generalist 0.1 ppm or less.

Soil persistence studies show that half life is something like 60 days. Some residues are found after a year 0.2 - 0.6 ppm. This is a borderline persistence question because 5 - 10% of the residues originally found in soil are still there after 1 year. We need more data on the environmental contamination possibilities. Mr. Ney has asked Chamagro for most of the studies outlined in C-72. If we get such information, we can decide if there is a definite problem.

## CONCLUSION

The proposed tolerance is research with

We need environmental contamination data as outlined in C-72.

### RECOMMENDATION

Pavorable opinion.