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FILE OR (REG. NO.) 100-590 (Bicep 4.5L), 100-LOT (Dual 8E)

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PRODUCT NAME(S) Bicep 4.5L, Dual 8E

COMPANY NAME Ciba-Geigy

SUBMISSION PURPOSE: Add use on sorghum to both labels.

CHEMICAL & FORMULATION metolachlor = 2-chloro-N-(2-ethyl-6-methyl-phenyl)-N-(2-methoxy-1-methylethyl)acetamide (86.5%) 8#ai/gallon) Dual 8E - 86.5%

Bicep 4.5L - metolachlor + atrazine (4.5 #ai/gallon)
Atrazine = 20.8
atrazine related compounds = 1.1
metolachlor = 27.5
49.4%

200.0 Introduction

Ciba-Geigy has submitted efficacy, crop tolerance, yield and compatibility data to support use of Dual 8E alone; Dual 8E plus AAtrex (80W, Nine-O, 4L and 4LC); Dual 8E plus Igran 80W (Reg. No: 100-LOT) and Bicep 4.5L (Reg. No. 100-590) for preplant incorporated (PPI) or preemergent (Pre) weed control in sorghum.

200.1 Uses

Refer to attached use sheets

200.2 Background information

Dual 6E is presently registered for PPI or Pre weed control in corn and soybeans. In previous reviews, Dual 6E was found biologically comparable to Dual 8E at equal #ai/A applied in water or fluid fertilizer carrier. Dual 6E/AAtrex 80W, Nine-O, 4L or 4LC tank mix is presently registered for PPI or Pre weed control in corn. Bicep 4.5L at equal #ai/A applied in water or fluid fertilizer carrier. Compatibility data were previously submitted and found acceptable at the maximum proposed use rates for the following: Dual 6E plus fluid fertilizer; Dual 8E plus fluid fertilizer; Dual 6E or 8E plus AAtrex 80W, Nine-O, 4L or 4LC in water; Dual 6E or 8E plus AAtrex 80W, Nine-O, 4L or 4LC plus fluid fertilizer; and Bicep 4.5L plus fluid fertilizer. Igran 80W is presently registered (Reg. No. 100-496) for PPI and Pre weed control in certain sorghum producing states (dependent on soil texture.).

Bicep 4.5L is a Dual plus AAtrex package mix for use on corn. In previous reviews, the Dual 6E/AAtrex Nine-O, 4L, 4LC or 80W tank mix was found biologically comparable to

201.0 Data Summary

201.1.1 Brief description of data submitted:

The majority of the data submitted were from small plot replicated tests. Comparison data were submitted from side-by-side plots comparing Dual 6E and 8E with and without CGA-43089 and comparing Dual alone with Dual plus AAtrex and Dual plus Igran 80W. No antagonistic or synergistic problems were noted from use of the proposed tank mixes. Previously submitted efficacy data for corn and

soybeans were referenced where identical weeds and #ai/A are claimed.

Severe sorghum stand and yield reductions were noted in tests where the sorghum seed was not properly pretreated with CGA-43089 prior to planting. The "proper" method of seed treatment must be more clearly defined on the label. In the data submitted, the recommended CGA-43089 rate of 2 oz. ai/100#seed afforded adequate seed protection in the majority of the tests. No data were submitted to support use of up to 1.2 #ai Igran on sandy soils.

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Conclusions:

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Claims supported by the data submitted and referenced

A. Dual 8E Alone

1. Efficacy data submitted and referenced at 1.5 #ai/A Dual on coarse soils and 2.0 #ai/A on medium and fine soil textures will support PPI and Pre control of: Barnyard-grass, common purslane, crabgrass, cupgrass, fall panicum, giant foxtail, green foxtail, redroot pigweed, signalgrass (Brachiaria), smooth pigweed, witchgrass, yellow foxtail, and yellow nutsedge; Pre only control of carpetweed and goosegrass; and partial control of seedling johnsongrass, shatter-cane and volunteer sorghum from PPI or Pre treatments.
2. Crop injury and yield data submitted will support use of the maximum proposed Dual 8E alone tests provided the Sorghum seed is pretreated with 2 oz. ai CGA-43089 per 100 # seed prior to planting. Without the seed treatment, severe sorghum stand and yield reductions will occur.
3. Compatibility data referenced and submitted will support use of Dual 8E alone in fluid fertilizer applied PPI or Pre provided

constant agitation is maintained throughout the tank filling and spraying operations. The proposed label adequately reflects this need.

B. Dual 8E/AAtrex (80W, Nine-0, 4L or 4LC) tank mix and Bicep 4.5L:

1. Efficacy data submitted and referenced comparing Dual alone, AAtrex alone, Dual/AAtrex tank mix and Bicep at equal #ai/A in side-by-side tests will support use of the minimum proposed Dual/AAtrex and Bicep 4.5L rates for control of: Barnyardgrass, common cocklebur, common lambsquarters, common purslane, common ragweed, crabgrass, cupgrass, giant foxtail, green foxtail, Penn. smartweed, puncturevine, redroot pigweed, smooth pigweed, velvetleaf, yellow foxtail and yellow nutsedge from PPI or Pre treatments; Pre only control of carpetweed, goosegrass, signalgrass (Brachiaria), tall morningglory and witchgrass; and partial control of shattercane and volunteer sorghum from PPI or Pre treatments.
2. Crop injury and yield data submitted will support use of the maximum proposed rates provided the sorghum seed is pretreated with 2 oz. ai CGA-43089 per 100# seed prior to planting. Without seed treatment, severe sorghum stand and yield reductions will occur.
3. Compatibility data submitted and referenced will support the following combinations provided constant agitation is maintained throughout the tank filling and spraying operations:
 - a. Dual 8E plus AAtrex (80W, Nine-0, 4L or 4LC) in water
 - b. Dual 8E plus AAtrex (80W, Nine-0, 4L or 4LC) in fluid fertilizer

c. Bicep 4.5L in fluid fertilizer

C. Dual 8E/Igran 80W tank mix:

1. Efficacy data submitted comparing Dual alone Ingran 80W alone and Dual/Igran tank mix in side-by-side tests will support control of: barnyardgrass, carpetweed, common lambsquarters, common purslane, common ragweed, crabgrass, cupgrass, fall panicum, green foxtail, kochia, Penn. smartweed, puncturvine, redroot pigweed, signalgrass (Brachiaria), smooth pigweed, tall morning-glory, velvetleaf, witchgrass, yellow foxtail, yellow nutsedge and partial control of seedling johnsongrass, shattercane and volunteer sorghum from use of the minimum proposed rates applied PPI and Pre.
2. a. Crop injury and yield data submitted will support use of up to 1.25# ai Dual 8E plus 1.2#ai Igran 80W/A on loamy sand soils in the desert areas of Calif. and Ariz, OK, NM and TX (at up to 1.2# ai Igran/A, see the Igran label) and in Eastern Colorado, Ill., Ia., KS, Minn., NB, and SD (at up to 2.0# ai Igran/A, see the Igran label).
- b. Crop injury and yield data submitted will support use of up to:
 - 1.5 #ai Dual 8E plus 1.6#ai Igran/A on sandy loam soils
 - 1.75 #ai Dual 8E plus 1.8# ai Igran/A on medium soils (SiL, L, Si)
 - 2.0 #ai Dual 8E plus 2.0# ai Igran/A on fine soils (SiCL, SCL, CL, SiC, C).

These rates are acceptable for use in all sorghum producing states throughout the U.S. All sorghum seed must be pretreated with 2 oz. ai CGA-43089 per 100 # seed prior to planting or severe sorghum stand and yield reductions will occur.

3. Compatibility data submitted will support use of the maximum proposed Dual/Igran rates applied in water or fluid fertilizer provided Unite compatibility agent is added at 3 pts./100 gallons spray mixture. Continuous agitation is required throughout the tank filling and spraying operations. Resuspendability after 24 hrs. and water temperature and hardness variations were evaluated after the addition of Unite with no serious difficulties.

202.2 Claims not supported by the data submitted or referenced

- A. Bicep 4.5L - Efficacy data will not support control of morningglory spp. Data were acceptable for preemergent control of tall morningglory.
- B. Dual 8E/AAtrex (80W, Nine-O, 4L or 4LC) tank mix and Bicep 4.5L:

Efficacy data will not support PPI control of witchgrass.

- C. Dual 8E/Igran 80W tank mix:

1. No crop injury and yield data were submitted to support use of 1.25 #ai Dual plus 1.2#ai Igran 80W/A on sandy soils. Igran alone is presently limited to use of up to 0.8 #ai/A on sandy soils in the desert regions of Calif., and Ariz; Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.
2. No crop injury and yield data were submitted to support use of 1.25 #ai Dual plus 1.2 #ai Igran 80W/A on loamy sand soils in the following sorghum producing states: Nevada, non-desert areas of Calif., Arkansas, North Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louisiana, South Carolina, Indiana and Virginia.

202.3 Additional data required to support claims and achieve registration:

- A. Bicep 4.5L - Submit efficacy data at the minimum proposed Bicep 4.5L rates (as based on soil texture and organic matter percentage) to support control of all morningglory species (except Pre control of tall morningglory) from PPI and Pre treatments; or delete these claims.
- B. Dual 8E/Aatrex (80W, Nine-O, 4L or 4LC) tank mix and Bicep 4.5L: Submit efficacy data at the minimum proposed rates (as based on soil texture and organic matter percentage) to support PPI control of witchgrass; or delete this claim.
- C. Dual 8E/Igran 80W tank mix:
1. Submit crop injury and yield data to support use of 1.25 #ai Dual plus 1.2 #ai Igran 80W/A applied PPI or Pre on sandy soils; or restrict the proposed tank mix from use on sandy soils. Data submitted may be small plot replicated tests comparing sorghum injury and yields from use of the recommended Dual/Igran tank mix rates with injury and yields from similar rates of each component alone. Data must support use on sandy soils throughout the various sorghum producing areas of the U.S. Ensure that the major sorghum varieties are evaluated. Injury to sorghum resulting from improperly safened seed must be determined in the data submitted.
 2. Submit crop injury and yield data to support use of 1.25 #ai Dual plus 1.2 #ai Igran 80W/A applied PPI or Pre on loamy sand soils in sorghum producing areas representative of the following states: non-desert areas of Calif., Nev., Ark., NC, Miss., Ala., Ga., Tenn., Kty., La., S.C., Ind. and Va. Otherwise, restrict tank mix from use on loamy sand soils in these areas. Small plot replicated data may be used to compare sorghum injury and yields from use of the

recommended Dual/Igran tank mix rates with injury and yields from similar rates of each component alone. Ensure that the major sorghum varieties grown in these areas are evaluated. Injury to sorghum resulting from improperly safened seed must be determined in the data submitted.

203.0 Label comments - to be resolved prior to registration:

A. Dual 8E label:

Under the headings "Dual 8E Plus AAtrex Tank Mixture" and "Dual 8E Plus Igran 80W Tank Mixture" the statement "Controls several weeds not controlled by Dual 8E alone" is incorrect in that the majority of the weeds listed are controlled by Dual 8E alone. These statements should specifically list those weeds not controlled by Dual 8E alone or revise them to read "Controls the following weeds:".

B. Bicep 4.5L label:

In the "Precaution:" statement, 1st page, delete "or in tank mixtures" as no tank mixes are claimed on the label.

C. Dual 8E and Bicep 4.5L labels:

1. The "proper" pretreatment of sorghum seed with CGA-43089 must be more specifically defined on the labels. Shaker bag treatments appear ineffective in the data submitted.
2. Labels must indicate the maximum amount of time before planting that seed can be treated with CGA-43089.

204.0 Compatibility data

In future compatibility data submissions include data describing the physical compatibility (precipitates, cloudiness, oily layers etc.) of the

mixture at each time period evaluated; data describing the various water temp., pH and hardness evaluated; order-of-addition of components; resuspendability after 24 hrs; minimum screen and nozzle sizes through which the mixture will pass and whether or not continuous agitation is required.

Comment:

The proposed Dual 8e and Bicep 4.5L labels will be acceptable after resolution of comments under 202.3 and 203.0 above.

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Atrazine: 2-chloro-4-ethylamino-6-isopropylamino-s-triazine, 20.8%
 Atrazine related compounds 1.1%
 2-chloro-N-(2-ethyl-6-methylphenyl)-N-(2-methoxy-1-methylethyl)-acetamide 27.5%

MULATION:

USE	Tolerance	RATE		Amendment to Reg	LIMITATIONS & REMARKS
		Actual lbs/acre	Formulation		
Sorghum	DOM		DO NOT USE	Apply PPI or Pre	Dry weather following preemergence treatment may reduce effectiveness. Cultivate if weeds develop
beds Controlled PPI			DO NOT USE	Coarse Soils - (S,LS,SL)	Do not use Bicep 4.5L unless the sorghum seed has been treated with 2 oz. ai CGA-43089 per 100 # seed or severe crop injury will occur.
Pre: barnyardgrass			DO NOT USE	Medium Soils - (L, SI, Sil)	
watergrass)*carpetweed			DO NOT USE	Less than 1.5% O.M.	
Common cocklebur, common		2:7	2.4 qts./A	1.5% O.M. or Greater	
ambsquartars, common				Fine Soils - SiCL, SCL, CL	
irslane, common ragweed,				SC, SiC, C	
cabgrass, cupgrass, fall		2.7	2.4qts./A	Less than 1.5% O.M.	
anicum, giant foxtail,		3.2 - 3.6	2.8-3.2qts/A	1.5% OM or Greater	
goosegrass, green foxtail,			in a	Use directions PPI:	
orningglory, Penn. smartweed,			minimum of	Apply to soil and incorporate not more than 2"	
uncturevine, redroot			15 gallons	deep within 14 da. before planting, using a disc,	Use on highly alkaline soils or on eroded areas where calcareous subsoils are exposed may result in sorghum injury.
igweed, *signalgrass			water or	harrow, rolling cultivation or similar implement. Use PPI if furrow irrigation	
Blachiarial, smooth pigweed,			fluid ferti-	lizer	
tall morningglory,			lizer	compatibility is used or when a period of dry weather after treatment is expected. If crop is planted in beds, apply and incorporate after	
elvetleaf, witchgrass,			Refer to		
ellow foxtail, yellow nutsedge,			label for		
controlled with preemergence			compatibility		
treatments only			test direc-		
Bicep 4.5L Herbicide			tions		
Ciba-Geigy					
(4.5 #ai/gallon)					

FORMULATION: * Metolachlor = 2-chloro-N-(2-ethyl-6-methylphenyl)-N-(2-methoxy-1-methylethyl)acetamide (86.5%)

USE	Tolerance	RATE		Amendment to Reg. No. APPLICATION	LIMITATIONS & REMARKS
		Actual lbs/acre	Formulation		
Sorghum	DDM			Dual 8E Alone:	No. 100-LOT
Weeds controlled by PPI				Apply PPI or preemergence	Dry weather following preemergence treatment of Dual 8E or its tank mixes may reduce effectiveness. Cultivate if weeds develop.
Pre Dual 8E alone:		1.5 - 2.0	1.2-2.0pts/A	Coarse Soils (S, SL, LS)	Sorghum seed must be treated with CGA-43089 at 2 oz. ai/100# seed before use of Dual 8E or Dual 8E.
cornyardgrass		2.0 - 2.25	2-2.25pts/A	Medium Soils (L, Si, Sil)	
carpetweed		2.0-2.5	2-2.5pts/A	Fine Soils (SiCL, SCL, CL)	
Common purslane, crabgrass, grass, fall panicum,			in water or fluid	SC, SiC, C)	
ant foxtail, *goosegrass			fertilizer..	PPI - Shallow incorporate	
reen foxtail, redroot pigweed,			at a minimum	not more than 2" deep with	
gnalgrass (Brachiaria),			of 15 gal.	planting with a disc,	
ooth pigweed, witchgrass,			Refer to	harrow, rolling cultivator,	plus tank mixes or severe crop injury will occur.
llow foxtail (and yellow nutsedge			compatibility	or similar implement.	
ppression of: johnsongrass (seedling)			table for	Use PPI if furrow irri-	
attercane, volunteer sorghum			fluid ferti-	gation is used or when a	See label for rotational
ontrolled with preemergence			lizer mixes	period of dry weather after	crop restrictions and
reatments only			with Dual 8E	treatment is expected.	directions
			and its tank	Pre-Apply to soil	
Dual 8E Herbicide			mixes.	surface at planting or	
Ciba-Geigy				after planting but before	
(8#ai/gallon)				weeds or crop emerge.	

REGULATION:

USE	Tolerance	RATE		APPLICATION	LIMITATIONS & REMARKS
		Actual lbs/acre	Formulation		
Weeds controlled	DDM			Dual 8E plus Aatrex	Applications of Dual 8E +
PI or Pre in addition				Apply PPI or Preemergence	Aatrex on highly alkaline
o those controlled by			DO NOT USE	Coarse Soils (S, LS, SL)	soils or on eroded areas
Dual 8E alone: Common				Medium Soils (L, Si, Sil) w/	where calcareous subsoils
ocklebur common lambs-			DO NOT USE	Less than 1.5% O.M.	are exposed may cause
quarters, common ragweed		1.5	1.5pts Dual 8E	Greater than 1.5% O.M.	sorghum injury.
		+	80W/A		
enn. smartweed		1.2	1.5#Aatrex...		
uncture vine				Fine Soils- (SiCL, SCL, CL, SC, SiC, C)	
tall morningglory				Less than 1.5% O.M.	
elvetleaf		1.5	8E		
controlled with		+	1.5pts. Dual		
preemergence treatments only.		1.2	1.5#Aatrex.	80W/A	
		1.75-2.0	Dual 8E	Greater than 1.5% O.M.	
		+	1.75-2.0pts		
		1.4-1.6	1.75-2.0 #Aatrex	80W/A	
			in a minimum	When using Aatrex, Nine-O,	
			of 15 gallons	4L or 4LC use equivalent	
			water or fluid	rates.	
			fertilizer.		

MULATION:

USE	Tolerance	RATE		APPLICATION	LIMITATIONS & REMARKS
		Actual lbs/acre	Formulation		
eds Controlled PPI or Pre:				Dual 8E + Igran 80W	See label for rotational crop restrictions and directions.
ose weeds on Dual 8E		1.25	1.25 Dual 8E	Apply PPI or preemergence Course Soils	
one label plus:	common	+	+	S, IS	
mbquarters.					
ommon ragweed, Kochia,		1.20	1.5# Igran 80W/A		Use Direction - Pre:
nn. smartweed,		1.25 - 1.5	25-1.5 pts.	Dual 8E SI	Apply to the soil surface at planting or after planting but before weeds or crop emerge.
incturevine, tall		+	+		before planting see below
orningglory and velvetleaf		1.2 - 1.6	1.5-2.0# Igran 90W/A		
		1.5-1.75	Dual 8E Medium Soils (L, Si, SIL)		
		+	+		
		1.6 - 1.8	2-2.2 #Igran 80W/A		
		1.75-2.0	1.75-2.0 Dual 8E Fine Soils (SICL, SCL, CL, SC, Si, C)		
		+	+		
		1.8-2.0	2.2-2.5# Igran 80W/A		
			in a	Use Directions - PPI:	incorporate
			minimum of	Apply to soil and shallow	days before planting using
			15 gallons	no more than 2" within 14	incorporate or similar imple-
			of water or	a disk, harrow, rolling	cultivator or similar imple-
			fluid ferti-	ment. Use PPI treatment	if furrow irrigation is
			lizers.	used or when a period of	dry weather after appli-
				cation can be expected.	if crop is bedded, apply