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Attached please find the environmenta	l fate review of:	
Reg./File No.: 264-330		
Chemical: Aldicarb		
Type Product: Insecticide/Nematicide		
Product Name: TEMIK	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	*
Company Name: Union Carbide		
Submission Purpose: Groundwater analys	sis results and plans for	
additional monitoring in Florida		
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### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Union Carbide (UCC) has submitted to the Agency an extremely brief (7 paragraphs) description of their 1983 plans to work jointly with Florida in monitoring aldicarb use and groundwater contamination. The extent of the program and the locations to be sampled with regard to new sites are not provided in this submission.
- 1.1.1 The Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (DER) will monitor TEMIK use and aldicarb residue movement in areas where TEMIK was previously used and will again be applied.
- 1.1.2 The Health and Rehabilitation Services Department and UCC will continue a drinking water well sampling program in at least 7 counties.
- 1.1.3 The above will include incorporation of the data in mathematical models by UCC and University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agriculture Services in addition to characterization of the groundwater residues by the Florida Department of Agriculture.
- 1.2 This submission also includes the results of Florida's aldicarb groundwater monitoring of late 1982.
- 2. THE JOINT STATE OF FLORIDA UCC ALDICARB MONITORING PLANS
- 2.1 Sampling plans provided to the Agency are provided in paragraphs 1 7, below:
  - 1. DER will complete placement of new test wells at Indiantown and will sample these before January 14 (Patton). UCC (Minter) will again resample the five shallow test wells in the grove with Dr. Patton's approval. Analytical results from all should be available on January 14.
  - 2. DER with UCC will resample the Alcoma site test wells and DER will assist UCC in selection and hydrologic description of a second test area on the Ridge. Analyses of the second Alcoma series will be by DER, UCC, and by DACS, the latter characterizing the residues. (McNeal, Patton, Jones, and Minter)
  - 3. DER will check hydrology of the Oveido site already initiated by UCC. Test wells will be modified if needed. DER/UCC will supervise sampling of these wells before application, supervise the application, and plan the schedule for post-application sampling. (Minter, McNeal, Jones, Pattor)
  - 4. DER/UCC will install test wells at the second Ridge site prior to the 1983 Temik application. Samples will be taken upon conditioning these wells before application and a schedule for post-application sampling will be set. (Patton, McNeal, Jones)
  - DER/UCC will cooperate on well installation at a Volusia County Site and on subsequent sampling. Dates and details to be worked out by Patton and Bertwell.

- 6. DER will direct expansion of test wells at the Alcoma site and will ke∉p UCC informed. UCC will assist as needed in project (McNeal, Patton, Jones, Minter). Sampling schedules will be developed jointly.
- 7. HRS and UCC will jointly continue their existent programs for sampling drinking water wells in the state (Mutter and Back). HRS program for 1983 will total about 200 samples from wells sampled quarterly in 7 counties. UCC will sample about 200 wells in 10 or more counties after Labor Day.

### 3. DISCUSSION OF SUBMITTED SAMPLING RESULTS

3.1 A map of Florida was submitted indicating that 180 sites in 17 counties were sampled in September. However, an incomplete copy of the summary table (only 2 out of 9 pages) accompanying the map was submitted and included the results of only 2 counties (Polk and St. John's) sampled by UCC. A key to the table explaining foot notes and abbreviations, weather data and a description of the analytical method was not included. The portion of the summary table submitted, (Table 1, on the next 2 pages, below) appears to show no residues detected.

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- 3.2 A table was submitted showing the results of analyses performed by the State of Florida (Office of Laboratory Services) on drinking water samples taken from 6 counties during October November 1982. Aldicarb was not detected in any sample; however, it is not clear from the table if only parent aldicarb was looked for or if the method was a total residue method. Also, the table was not complete in that the well depths and water table depths were not always provided, the application rate was not given correctly, etc. Refer to Table 2.
- 3.3 A table was submitted showing results of December 1982 groundwater sampling in Alcoma Grove at Lake Wales in Polk County, performed by the Florida DER. Total aldicarb residues found ranged from non-detect to 93 ppb. The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services further characterized some of the water samples and found them to contain 3 5 times more sulfoxide than sulfone. Presumably, no analysis was conducted for parent aldicarb. The table, however, did not include aldicarb use history, weather data or a description of the method used. A detailed description of the hydrology, topography and well construction is included. Refer to Table 3.
- 3.4 A table was submitted giving the locations of 23 sampling sites along St. Anne Shrine Road in Polk County. The samples were taken by UCC on December 20, 1982, but results were not yet submitted. Aldicarb use history, weather data, etc., has also not been submitted. Refer to Table 4.

## 4. CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 The 1983 joint Florida State agencies UCC groundwater monitoring plan that was submitted was very brief. Please note that from the Agency's perspective, the groundwater monitoring plan must be able to provide information on the geographical extent of aldicarb groundwater contamination resulting from aldicarb use and at what level (ppb) the contamination (if any) will be. Also, in private communication with Mr. F. Sanders, PM-12, on February 7, 1983, Mr. Sanders stated that UCC will be analyzing 2,000 samples taken by the State of Florida. Is that sampling in addition to that of the 1983 joint plan?
- 4.2 The Florida state agencies' results, as submitted, are sketchy and incomplete. In contradiction to the January 24, 1983 memo from F. Sanders to D. Severn, EFB files show no prior record of receiving or reviewing those results.

Based on the limited data submitted, it appears that residues of aldicarb are contaminating Florida groundwater. The geographical extent and level of contamination that will result from continued use of aldicarb cannot be determined from this submission. It is, therefore, essential that we receive complete data if we are to make regulatory decisions and contributions regarding this aldicarb groundwater issue.

- 4.3 Submission of results of groundwater monitoring must include information on pesticide use history, weather data, soil profiles, description of the wells, chemical characteristics of the groundwater, hydrology and topography of the area, sampling technique, analytical method, etc.
- 4.4 A response to our evaluation of the 1981 Groundwater Monitoring Program dealing with the Florida groundwater monitoring has not been received. (See May 10, 1982 EFB evaluation, sections 3.3, 4.1 and 4.9.2.)
- 4.5 The persistence and leachability of aldicarb residues in Florida is of particular interest since UCC has taken the position that aldicarb will degrade faster in areas of higher temperature (such as in Florida in comparison to Long Island, NY). If aldicarb persists and leaches in Florida that is both warm and has been experiencing (relative) drought conditions over the past 20 years, will it also persist and leach in other warm areas where aldicarb use is proposed? When drought conditions end in Florida (later this year), will the rains result in increased levels and incidences of groundwater contamination?

Samuel M. Creeger February 7, 1983

Section #1/EFB

Hazard Evaluation Division

Table 2

Office of Laboratory Services Services Dr. E. C. Hartwig 904-354-3961 State of Florida

Chemical Analysis of Drinking Water

# Total Aldicarb Residue (Temik)

1982	
November	
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Date of Sample	10/11/82	10/11/82	10/11/82	10/13/82	10/13/82	10/13/82	10/19/82	10/19/82	10/20/82	10/25/82	10/25/82	10/25/82	10/25/82
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Table 2 (con't) Chemical Analysis of Drinking Water

Total Aldicarb Residue (Temik)

Samples Collected and Analyzed for Period October and November 1982

Aldicarb Concentration (ppb)	ЭОГ	BDL	TOE	BDL	TOR	BDL	BOL	BDL	TOR	BDL	. BDL	
Date of Sample	10/26/82	10/26/82	10/27/82	10/27/82	10/27/82	11/2/82	11/2/82	11/2/82	11/2/82	11/17/82	11/17/82	
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Sample Number	1421	1422	1423	1424	1425	1448	1449	1450	1451	1543	1544	

\* BDL - below detection limit of 2 ppb as the sulfone

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Table 3

## FLORIDA DEPARTHENT OF ENVIRONHENTAL REGULATION TOTAL ALDICARB RESIDUE ANALYSES

ALCOHA GROVE GROUNDWATER TESTING SITE

LAKE WALES, POLK COUNTY

DECEMBER 1982

Total Aldicarb* Residue, ug/l	N.D.	M.D.	41	N.D.	Sample Invalidated	93	٥	49	47
Sempling Procedure	Pump	Balled	Ballad	***************************************	Balled	Balled	Belled	Bailed	Pump
Weter Stratum, Depth Below Weter Teble, ft	12 - 17	12 - 17	6 - 11		(Artesian)	5 - 10	10 - 15	5 - 10	5 - 10
Wall Screen. Depth Balow <u>Ground Surface, Ft</u>	36 - 41	36 - 41	23 - 28		252 - 257	23 - 28	28 - 33	32 - 37	32 - 37
Water Table, Depth Below Graund Surface, ft	24	24	17	flald Blenk	х	18	16	27	27
Monitor Wall	SH-1	SW-1	SW-2	! ! !	D#-1	SW-3	SW-4	S-MS	SW-5
Lab Somple ID	17915	17916	17917	17918	17919	17920	17921	17922	17923

ALL HONITOR WELLS LOCATED WITHIN PERINETER OF A 20 ACRE CITRUS GROVE.

ALDICARB CONTAMINATION PLUME INDICATED IN UPPER 10 FT STRATUM OF GROUNDWATER.

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<sup>\*</sup> TOTAL ALDICARB RESTOUE CALCULATED AS THE SULFONE, UNCORRECTED FOR SPIKE RECOVERY.

Table 4

PRIVACY ACT EXEMPTION

ST. ANNE SHRINE RD WATER SAMPLES
Taken 12-20-82 by Romero, Run 12-21 by RTP.
Letters Sent 12-21 to Homeowners
Reported to TTF 12/21/81

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