US ERA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

MEMORANDUM

JUN 30 1983

TO:

Mr. Willie Nelson (17)

OFFICE OF PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Registration Division (TS-767)

SUBJECT:

EPA Reg. #45167-R. Margosine-0 (Neem Extract), application

for registration as an anti-feedant extract.

CASWELL#594A

Registrant:

Vikwood Ltd.

1221A Superior Ave. Sheboygan, WI 53801

Action Requested:

Mr. Robert Larson of Vikwood Ltd., requests registration for MARGOSINE-0, an extract prepared from Indian Neem tree nuts, reported to act as an anti-feedant to control Lepidopetrous insects.

Recommendations: (No toxicity data accompanied the present application.)

1) At a February 19, 1982 meeting between Mr. Robert Larson (Vikwood Ltd., President) and EPA personnel, Mr. Larson was informed regarding toxicity test requirements for MARGOSINE-0, considered as a biorational biochemical. A list of the tox. test requirements for the Neem extract is reiterated below:

A. Studies required prior to registration

An acute oral study
An acute dermal study
An acute inhalation study
An eye irritation study
A dermal irritation study
A cellular immune response study

B. Studies required on a conditional basis

A hypersensitivity study A genotoxicity study (Ames test)

- In addition to a lack of toxicity data, a number of deficiencies in the product application are apparent:
 - If food crop use is intended specific food tolerances will be required, or a request for an exemption from the requirement for tolerances must be made.
 - b. The Confidential Statement of Formula should be corrected to include the active ingredient(s), as well as inert ingredients.
 - The registrant should define to the extent possible the chemical and physical properties and the molecular structure of the active ingredient(s), if this information can be developed.
 - The product label at present states "MARGOSINE-0 a nontoxic anti-feedant extract". The registrant should be more specific regarding pest control intent; if the product target pests are Lepidopterous insects, the label should so state.
 - A final decision on the choice of label signal word and precautionary statements will be made following receipt and evaluation of the requested toxicity data.
- Further consideration of MARGOSINE-0 used as a pesticide anti-feedant extract will be given upon receipt of the toxicity data and information cited above.

William S. Woodfow J.M. for D.C. William S. Woodfow, Ph.D. 6/27/87. Toxicology Branch/HED (TS-769)

TS-769:th:TOX/HED:WSWoodrow:6-23-83:card #9