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MEMORANDUM

July 8, 1987

SUBJECT: Modifications to EUP's 50658-EUP-2 and 618-EUP-12 for Use of Abamectin on Cotton and Citrus, Respectively

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With this memorandum EEB is responding to modifications submitted by Merck, Sharp and Dohme. The concern with these EUP's was possible effects to endangered species.

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The material not included contains the following type of information:

- Identity of product inert ingredients
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- Identity of the source of product ingredients
- Sales or other commercial/financial information
- A draft product label
- The product confidential statement of formula
- Information about a pending registration action
- PIFRA registration data
- The document is a duplicate of page(s) __________
- The document is not responsive to the request

The information not included is generally considered confidential by product registrants. If you have any questions, please contact the individual who prepared the response to your request.