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MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: FENBUCONAZOLE: Response to Questions Regarding Permanent Tolerances for Bananas

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Case: 284011

Registrant: Rohm and Haas Company

Action Requested: Toxicology Branch was requested to answer whether the tolerance petition for Fenbuconazole on bananas will be granted.

Background: In a prior memo, dated June 2, 1993, the request for a permanent tolerance for the use of fenbuconazole on bananas was denied due to possible carcinogenic effects in mice and rats. It was recommended that the Health Effects Division Carcinogenicity Peer Review Committee evaluate the carcinogenic potential of fenbuconazole prior to approval of any new tolerances. In the carcinogenicity peer review memo, dated November 22, 1993, fenbuconazole was classified as a Group C - possible human carcinogen.



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Response: The toxicology data base for fenbuconazole is complete. Toxicology Branch II recommends granting the permanent tolerance for the use of fenbuconazole on bananas.