

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Products that use the herbicide active ingredient oxadiazon such as turf and ornamentals
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Any US trade partners.
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Notice: Oxadiazon; Availability of Reregistration Eligibility Decision Document for Comment (available in English, 3 pages).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This notice announces the availability and starts a 60-day public comment period on the Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document for the herbicide active ingredient oxadiazon. Oxadiazon is registered for pre-emergent herbicide treatment of turf and ornamentals. The RED represents EPA's formal regulatory assessment of the human health and environmental data base of the subject chemical and presents the Agency's determination regarding which herbicidal uses are eligible for reregistration. The oxadiazon risk mitigation included rate reductions and packaging requirements. In addition, aerial applications have been eliminated.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> NA
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> DOCID:fr, <u>Federal Register</u> : 30 August 2004 (Volume 69, Number 167) pages 52889-52891; <a href="http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2004/August/Day-30/p19711.htm">http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2004/August/Day-30/p19711.htm</a> (available in English).
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Not available

<b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Not available
<b>12. Final date for comments:</b> 29 October 2004 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National notification authority,</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. opp-docket@epa.gov Note: Identify docket name "OPP-2003-0401" in subject line of your response.
<b>13. Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National notification authority,</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> Ms. Julie Morin, United States SPS Enquiry Point Officer, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, Food Safety & Technical Services Division, Stop 1027, Washington D.C. 20250. Tel: 202-720-4051; Fax: 202-690-0677; Email: <a href="mailto:fstd@usda.gov">fstd@usda.gov</a>