

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Jennifer Bost Tacoma Ag, LLC 125 Royal Sunset Drive Durham, North Carolina 27713

Re:

Administrative Order issued to Tacoma Ag, LLC

Docket Number FIFRA-08-2016-0005

NOTICE OF REFUSAL OF ADMISSION

Entry Number 323-3512799-2

Dear Ms. Bost:

In connection with our enforcement of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 136 et seq. (FIFRA, or the Act), the United States Environmental Protection Agency has examined samples or other evidence with respect to the shipment described below. During an inspection conducted on January 6, 2016, at Forward Air, in Denver, CO, the EPA inspector determined that the single container holding the product did not have a label, as required by FIFRA. Thus, the shipment is not in compliance with the Act and subject to refusal of admission. Separately from this notice, EPA has provided you with detailed information regarding FIFRA label requirements. The Notice of Arrival (NOA) for the shipment was marked "Deny Entry" by EPA. EPA was made aware on February 8, 2016, that the product has been destroyed under the United States Customs and Border Protection supervision.

Product Name:

Lactofen TK

Shipper/Manufacturer:

Zhangjiagang Harmotech International Company Unit Z-903

Consignee:

W.N. Epstein & Co., Inc.

Entry Number:

323-3512799-2

Date of Importation:

December 23, 2015

Port of Entry:

Denver International Airport

Although the shipment has already been denied entry into the United States by EPA, and the product has been destroyed, EPA is issuing this Administrative Order and Notice of Refusal of Admission letter for the action taken to notify you of your rights in this matter. Pursuant to section 17(c) of the Act, you have the opportunity to submit written material to our office within twenty (20) days of the date of your receipt of this notice, signed by you or your attorney, to show cause why the shipment should not be destroyed or refused entry. Please indicate in your answer whether you wish to present your views verbally, so that we may set a date for such presentation, which will be held in our office, or via teleconference.

Sincerely,

James H. Eppers, Supervisory Attorney Legal Enforcement Program

Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

David Cobb, Acting Unit Chief Toxics Enforcement Unit

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