



## SENT VIA EMAIL DELIVERY RECEIPT REQUESTED

**SUBJECT:** Requested action to be taken regarding the Shield 550 Professional 3-Stage Filtration Air

Scrubber products in shipment with entry number AWJ-02861883 FIFRA-08-2025-0061

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TO: U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection

Salt Lake City, Utah 3303

By this memorandum, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, is informing the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (CBP) that the products in the import shipment described below should be Denied Entry-Refused Delivery into the United States pursuant to the authority of section 17(c) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), 7 U.S.C. § 1360(c), and the implementing regulations at 19 C.F.R. §12.114. The shipment was inspected by Salt Lake City Customs and Border Protection Officers on July 25, 2025.

The following information pertains to the shipment:

- The importer is Dynasty Shipping LLC, 12750 Moore Street, Cerritos, California 90703.
- The broker is Dynasty Shipping LLC, DYN-CUSTOM customs@dynshippingllc.com.
- The arrival date was June 24, 2025.
- The bill number is CMDUNGP2337441.
- The port of entry is Salt Lake City, Utah 3303.

Section 2(t) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(t) defines "pest" as "(1) any insect, rodent, nematode, fungus, weed, or (2) any other form of terrestrial or aquatic plant or animal life or virus, bacteria, or other micro-organism (except viruses, bacteria, or other micro-organisms on or in living man or other living animals) which the Administrator declares to be a pest under section 136w(c)(1) of this title."

Under FIFRA section 2(u) 7 U.S.C. § 136(u), a pesticide is any substance (or mixture of substances) intended for a pesticidal purpose, i.e., use for the purpose of preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest or use as a plant regulator, defoliant, or desiccant. 40 C.F.R. § 152.15 states: "A substance is considered to be intended for a pesticidal purpose, and thus to be a pesticide requiring registration, if... [t]he person who distributes or sells the substance claims, states, or implies (by labeling or otherwise) ... [t]hat the substance... can or should be used as a pesticide."

Section 2(h) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(h), defines "device" as "any instrument or contrivance (other than a firearm) which is intended for trapping, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest or any other form of plant or animal life (other than man and other than bacteria, virus, or other microorganism on or in living man or other living animals); but not including equipment used for the application of pesticides when sold separately therefrom." (See also 40 C.F.R § 152.500(a)).

Section 2(p) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. § 136(p), defines "label" as "the written, printed, or graphic matter on, or attached to, the pesticide or device or any of its containers or wrappers" and defines "labeling" in part, as "all labels and all other written, printed, or graphic matter – (A) accompanying the pesticide or device at any time; or (B) to which reference is made on the label or in literature accompanying the pesticide...."

The labels for the Shield 550 Professional 3-Stage Filtration Air Scrubber included the following language:

- "Professional 3-Stage Filtration Air Scrubber".
- "This air cleaner complies with the federal ozone emissions limit".
- "HEPA Air Scrubber"
- "www.cadpxs.com"
- "EPA Number: 99216-CHN-1"

The labels indicate a pesticidal intent pursuant to the definitions above, and therefore, the products in the shipment referenced above are subject to FIFRA's jurisdiction and requirements.

The shipment that arrived at the border for import is in violation of FIFRA section 12(a)(2)(N), 7 U.S.C. § 136j(a)(2)(N), because a registrant, wholesaler, dealer, retailer, or other distributor failed to correctly file reports required by the Act. As required by 19 C.F.R. § 12.114, a Notice of Arrival of Pesticides and Devices (NOA), EPA form 3540-1, and a copy of one product label must be submitted with every importation of a pesticide or device.

The EPA hereby notifies CBP that this merchandise should be refused admission pursuant to the authority of FIFRA § 17(c), 7 U.S.C. § 136o(c), and the implementing regulations at 19 C.F.R. § 12.114. The importer should export this merchandise or dispose of the products under supervision of the CBP within ninety calendar days from the date of this memorandum or within such additional time as the District Director of CBP specifies. Failure to do so may result in either the destruction of the merchandise as authorized by FIFRA or in any action necessary to enforce the terms of any bond under which the shipment has been released to the consignee. Alternatively, CBP may elect to seize the products as a prohibited importation pursuant to their authorities as set out at 19 U.S.C. § 1595a(c)(2)(A).

On July 28, 2025, the EPA informed the CBP Cargo Supervisor in Salt Lake City, Utah, that it would deny entry of this shipment.

Please contact Christine Tokarz, the import enforcement coordinator by email at tokarz.christine@epa.gov, if you have any questions concerning this matter.