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January 10, 2005

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
EPA East Building  
Confidential Business Information Center  
Room 6428  
Attn: TSCA Section 8(e)  
1201 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004



Re: TSCA Section 8(e) Notice: Substituted Thiazole [ ], First Submission

Dear Section 8(e) Coordinator:

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. requests that the specific chemical identity and code number shown in brackets in this letter be treated as Confidential Business Information. We enclose a sanitized copy of this letter for the public file.

In accordance with EPA's March 16, 1978 policy on Section 8(e) reporting under the Toxic Substances Control Act, and EPA's June 1991 TSCA Section 8(e) Reporting Guide, Syngenta Crop Protection wishes to bring to your attention certain information from a screening acute toxicity study in the rat conducted by Safepfarm Laboratory with the chemical substance [ ]. This substance is known internally under the designation [ ].

Signs of systemic toxicity in animals dosed at 50 or 200mg/kg included hunched posture, occasional body tremors, ataxia and decreased respiratory rate. Additional signs at 200 mg/kg included lethargy, labored respiration, pilo-erection, diuresis, dehydration, body tremors and emaciation. Two of three animals dosed at 200mg/kg died 1-4 days after dosing. No animals died at 50 or 20mg/kg.

[ ] These evaluations are being conducted under the supervision of technically qualified personnel, knowledgeable in handling potentially hazardous chemicals.

Please contact the undersigned if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

*Melvin R. Witcher, Jr.*

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TSCA Coordinator  
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