The Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation Ministerial Decree No. 630 of 2007

Concerning the lists of agricultural pesticide active ingredients that can be registered, re-registered, or banned in the Arab Republic of Egypt

The Minister of Agriculture and Land Reclamation,

Having reviewed:

- Law No. 53 of 1966 on Agriculture,
- the ministerial decree no. 874 of 1996,
- the ministerial decree no. 3059 of 2004 concerning agricultural pesticides,
- the ministerial decree no. 3060 of 2004 concerning the enumeration of all agricultural pesticides and reviewing the conditions and measures of their registration,
- the ministerial decree no. 719 of 2005 concerning agricultural pesticides,
- the ministerial decree no. 90 of 2007 concerning the regulations of the registration and use of agricultural pesticides in the Arab Republic of Egypt.
- and upon the recommendations of the Agricultural Pesticides Committee adopted on 28/3/2007 at its session no. 6 of 2007,

has decided the following:-

Article 1:

The list in annex no. 1 of this decree includes the names of the active ingredients of the agricultural pesticides that may be granted approval for: registration, renewal of registration, re-registration, importation, circulation, preparation, or manufacturing in the Arab Republic of Egypt, whether in the form of raw materials or in the form of commercial products of these ingredients. Approval may be given on condition that the active ingredients comply with the regulations stated in the ministerial decree no. 90 of 2007, and after completing the studies and data required. The list comprises 124 (one hundred and twenty-four) active ingredients listed by their generic names.

Article 2:

The list in annex 2 of this decree includes the agricultural pesticide active ingredients that the Agricultural Pesticides Committee must review in the light of the European Commission's decisions whether to approve or prohibit their registration. The Agricultural Pesticides Committee shall submit its recommendations to the Minister of Agriculture to issue a ministerial decree to add any of these active ingredients to the first or the third list mentioned in annexes nos. (1, 3) of this decree. This list comprises 47 (forty-seven active ingredients).

Article 3:

The list in annex 3 of this decree includes the names of the active ingredients of the agricultural pesticides that are banned in the Arab Republic of Egypt. The registration, re-registration, importation, circulation, manufacturing, or experimentation for the registration of any of these active ingredients is prohibited in the Arab Republic of Egypt, whether they are in the form of raw materials or commercial products of any kind. This list comprises 371 (three hundred and

seventy-one) active ingredients. Out of these active ingredients, 21 (twenty-one) were used, or are still used, in the Arab Republic of Egypt but not registered neither by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) nor by the European Commission, or are not registered by the USEPA and the European commission has decided not to re-register them in the countries of the European Union.

In Addition, the list contains 350 (three hundred and fifty) active ingredients that are banned by international treaties, by the USEPA or the European Commission, or classified as "highly hazardous" by the World Health Organization, or are so old that they haven't undergone recent risk-assessment studies. None of these 350 pesticide active ingredients has been used in Egypt during past years.

Article 4:

The Agricultural Pesticides Committee shall periodically review the situation of each of the pesticide active ingredients mentioned in the three annexes, and shall submit its recommendations to the Minister of Agriculture on modifying the position of any of these active ingredients in each of the three lists.

Article 5:

The regulations and standards specified in the ministerial decree no. 90 of 2007 shall be applied to any other pesticide active ingredient submitted for registration or renewal of registration. Based on the results of the studies required for the registration of such pesticide, the committee may recommend adding the active ingredient of that pesticide to either the first or the third list in the annexes nos. (1, 3) of this decree.

Article 6:

All resolutions, recommendations, lists and annexes that are incompatible with this decree shall be abrogated.

Article 7:

The decree shall be published in Al-Waqa'e Al-Mesreya and shall become effective on the next day of its publication date.

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