Monsanto herbicide receives full EPA registration

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Full EPA registration of Dimension, Monsanto Agricultural Company's new turf herbicide, will help better control crabgrass and other problem weeds and grasses in turfgrass.

Advantages of Dimension over conventional turf herbicides, according to Dimension product manager Jim Budzynski, are season-long control with a single application; both pre-emergence and post-emergence application flexibility for crabgrass control, and exceptional turfgrass safety. Dimension is designed for use by golf course superintendents as an effective maintenance tool. Its active ingredient, dithiopyr, comes from a new class of chemistry developed by Monsanto and is characterized by desirable environmental features, including low use rates.

While providing long control, Dimension allows golf courses to conduct normal fall overseeding programs after a spring application. It controls a broad spectrum of annual grasses and broadleaf weeds, including especially tough species such as goosegrass, foxtail, spurge and oxalis.

Noteing the rise in course use of bentgrass, Budzynski believes Monsanto has met the challenge of possible bentgrass problems. "Dimension can be applied to bentgrass without fear of injury, and it will not harm ornamental plants adjacent to treatment areas," said Budzynski.

For more information on Dimension or any other Monsanto product contact Monsanto at 800-879-1421.

Lake Colorant WSP

Lake colorant available in soluble packets

AMES, Iowa — Coloring lakes, ponds and golf course water hazards is as simple as tossing a water soluble packet into the water. Lake Colorant WSP, a new product from Becker-Underwood, is a highly-concentrated lake colorant in water soluble packets. Each packet colors one acre foot of water.

The packet will dissolve in less than four minutes, dispersing the color quickly, simply and completely. No plastic jars or bottles remain for dispersal.

Lake Colorant WSP won't harm fish or wildlife.

Contact Becker-Underwood, Inc. 801 Dayton Ave., Ames, Iowa 50010 or call 800-232-5907.

Scott offering new weed control

MARYSVILLE, Ohio — Southern Weedgrass Control, specially developed for pre-emergent weed control on southern turfgrasses, is available from the Professional Business Group of The O. M. Scott & Sons Company.

It features an improved carrier with the proper particle size consistency for optimum turf coverage and weed control, and greater density for decreased drift potential. The product, which contains the active ingredient pendimethalin, provides pre-emergent control of six annual grassy weeds and 10 broadleaf weeds.

Fungicides VII and X are improved versions of the Scotts ProTurf line of products.

Fungicide VII features an improved carrier with the proper particle size for optimum turf coverage and disease control. It may be rotated with ProSystemic fungicide to reduce resistant turf disease strain buildup, including dollar spot, brown patch, powdery mildew and anthracnose.

Fungicide X is for use on fairways, putting greens and other turf areas with Kentucky bluegrass, bentgrass, perennial ryegrass, fine fescue, Bermudagrass, St. Augustinegrass or mixtures of these grasses.

Because of an improved pulp carrier, it provides optimum turf coverage and disease control with less susceptibility to drift, while preventing and controlling brown patch, leaf spot, red leaf spot and Fusarium patch/green snow mold.

Contact The O.M. Scott & Sons Company, 14111 Scottslawn Road, Marysville, Ohio 43041.

GOLF COURSE NEWS
ThermaFab offers portable waste storage system

LEXINGTON, S.C. — ThermaFab, Inc., has introduced TroubleShooter, a portable system for the temporary storage of hazardous materials. The one-piece unit has inflatable or rigid sides and, if needed, a portable storage tank.

The unit is very compact, allowing for easy transport, easy storage and quick installation at the site. From set-up to dismantling, it can be managed by one person.

The TroubleShooter holds up to 10,000 gallons and is ideal for collecting liquid from leaking drums, as well as overflow spills from tank trucks.

Ciba-Geigy markets first larvicide

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Exhibit, Ciba-Geigy’s first biological, nematode-based larvicide, is now available to green industry members.

The active ingredient in Exhibit is formulated using a naturally-occurring species of beneficial nematodes that coexist in the ecosystems with wildlife, beneficial insects, domestic animals and humans.

The nematode’s life cycle begins when it enters a target pest through a body opening and releases its deadly bacteria directly into the blood system of the host. The host pest dies within 24 hours, and nematodes develop rapidly into first-generation adults and reproduce.

Soon, second-generation adults appear and reproduce. The cadaver then leaves the current host and seeks out a new host. If they cannot find a host within 14 days, they die.

Exhibit will not burn turf or ornamentals. Plants may be sold the same day they’re treated, and there are no re-entry restrictions for the product.

Since nematodes are part of the ecosystem, there should be no concerns about runoff.

Contact Ciba-Geigy Turf and Ornamental Products at 919-632-6000.

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NEW PRODUCTS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Rohm and Haas Company, manufacturer of specialty chemicals, has issued new Kerb WSP herbicide and Fore fungicide specimen labels.

The labels are part of an ongoing program to publish use directions, design packaging, refine formulations and improve distribution to better serve customer needs, according to Robert Gordon, turf and ornamental products market manager.

The labels are tailored to the specific needs and application methods of golf course superintendent, groundskeepers, commercial growers and others in the turf and ornamental industry, according to the company.

The herbicide specimen label provides use directions for poa annua control in Bermuda grass, and broadleaf and grassy weed control in woody ornamentals, nursery stock and Christmas trees.

Similarly, the fungicide specimen label targets disease control in assorted turf grasses and ornamental flowers, shrubs and trees.

There is new color-coded printing on labels and containers. Brown is the signal color for the Kerb specimen label and package, and will designate future turf and ornamental herbicides.

As an added advantage for handling and mixing the product, Kerb herbicide is packaged in pre-measured, water soluble pouches. The Fore label and package are printed in green.

Copies of the new specimen labels are available from Rohm and Haas Company, Marketing Services Dept. 7/0, Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, Pa. 19105.

CIRCLE #311

Growth enhancer compatible with many herbicides

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Floratine Products Group has introduced ProRich, a biostimulant-based growth enhancer compatible for programmed use in conjunction with turfgrass regulator products and herbicides.

A variation of FP45's widely-used Atron 5000 product, ProRich contains high anninos and cytokinins but no gibberellic acids which might counteract the anti-gibberellin activity of the regulators.

ProRich is designed to enhance the health and color of the desired turfgrass while not inhibiting the killing effect of the undesirable species.

Floratine Products Group may be contacted at 901-528-1713.

CIRCLE #313

Chipco Ronstar easier to handle

As a result of a new granular formulation, Chipco Ronstar brand oxadiazon herbicide now is easier to handle and use.

Chipco Ronstar G new is carried on granules made from a byproduct of recycled paper. The result is less dust during loading application of the herbicide and a more uniform spread pattern.

Revised calibration settings accommodate faster flow.

For more information call 919-543-4001.

CIRCLE #314

FTP-LAPLLS, Calif. — Grace-Sierra Horticultural Products Co. has introduced Peters Professional water soluble fertilizers in a no-stain formula.

The blue color tracer does not stain hands or clothes and washes away quickly with soap and water.

The new fertilizer is in response to a request from growers that the staining color tracer from the Peters water soluble fertilizers be removed.

For more information contact 408-203-6080.

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GOLF COURSE NEWS

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The latest from SDI features a new generation Hypro polypropylene pump, mechanical and bypass agitator, 15' or 20' booms, three pressure gauges — only a few of the many features the competition doesn't offer.

CIRCLE #132

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Above-ground tank offers added safety

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Associated Concrete Products, Inc., a division of the Quikset Organization, now is manufacturing "ConVault" above-ground fuel storage tanks in their Santa Ana and Livermore facilities.

Delivery and installation are provided by trucks with special engineered cranes.

The ConVault is a U. L.-listed rectangular steel tank either 1/8- or 3/16-inch thickly wrapped in secondary containment, consisting of a 30-millimeter polyflex polyethylene geomembrane and encased in six inches of monolithically poured reinforced concrete.

The tank provides a two-hour fire wall required by N.F.P.A. and comes with a 20-year or 30-year warranty. The tank is also ballistic proof.

The above-ground design enables visual inspection for leaks, and eliminates the need for expensive underground monitoring and testing equipment. They are available in sizes from 250 to 2,000 gallons.

For more information on ConVault or any other Associated Concrete products contact John Schmuckal at 4301 West MacArthur Boulevard, Santa Ana, Calif. 92704 or telephone 714-557-7470.

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Erosion blanket helps germination and protects seed

ARLINGTON, Tex. — American Excelsior Company’s latest environmentally-safe erosion control product is Quickgrass, a dyed green wood excelsior erosion control blanket with a photodegradable netting applied to one side.

Constructed from 100 percent Aspen curled wood fibers, Quickgrass is designed to prevent erosion, assist in germination and protect seedlings.

Durable and designed to remain in place on even the roughest terrain, the top side of Quickgrass is covered with a photodegradable extruded plastic mesh, and is smolder resistant without use of chemical additives. It provides ideal ground conditions for fast turf development, retains moisture, controls surface soil temperature fluctuations, conforms to the terrain and protects against sun burnout.

Quickgrass expands when wet, creating a "clinging" effect to the soil. When wet, the blanket becomes twice as thick, adding protection during heavy rain. By absorbing and releasing moisture, Quickgrass returns moisture to seedlings to improve germination.

Contact Ken Starrett, vice president, marketing, American Excelsior Company, 850 Avenue H East, P. O. Box 50678, Arlington, Tex. 76011 or call 817-640-1555.

CIRCLE #316

Ringer markets spring fertilizer

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Ringer Corporation is marketing a new fertilizer product designed for early spring application to Bermudagrass greens. Bermudagrass Greens 12-2-26 is a bridge between purely natural options and chemical applications.

It contains completely natural protein sources and ammonium sulfate for desired quick spring green-up. Iron phosphate citrate is the product’s source of fully-chelated iron.

It is manufactured in finely-granulated form, appropriate for re-spraying. For information contact 612-941-4180.

CIRCLE #317

PROMPT receives EPA registration

PROMPT herbicide, now registered by the Environmental Protection Agency and labeled for use on turf, is a low-spray alternative that provides broad spectrum broadleaf weed control.

The BASF Corp. product can be applied on established and newly established St. Augustine grass, zoysia grass and centipedegrass as soon as 10 days after sprigging or plugging.

It is effective on two dozen annual broad-leaf weeds, in addition to controlling tough perennial weeds.

For more information contact 919-361-5722.

CIRCLE #318

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