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EPA OKAYS PENDULUM LABEL

WAYNE, N.J. — The federal Environmental Protection Agency has approved an expanded label for Pendulum WDG herbicide from American Cyanamid Co. The new label allows superintendents to use the product over the top of an additional 70 species of ornamental plants. With the new label, Pendulum may now be used to control grasses and broadleaf weeds in more than 260 species of trees, shrubs, flowering beds and ground covers.

ZIELINSKI JOINS TURF-SEED

HUBBARD, Ore. — Gordon Zielinski is Turf-Seed, Inc.'s new executive vice president, a position created to assist President Bill Rose with special projects and international growth. Immediate duties include new product development, marketing packages to distributors, company structure development, and acreage expansion management. Zielinski has a horticultural degree from Oregon State University and has been a bank agricultural finance officer for farms and businesses since 1976.

MAKELIM TO REP KUBOTA OUT WEST

SO. SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — H.G. Makelim Co. has joined Kubota Engine Division's national network of gasoline and diesel distributors. Makelim, which serves northern California and northern Nevada, is also a full-service distributor of Kubota and Kohler engines and parts. For more information, contact Glen Firchow at H.G. Makelim Co., 219 Shaw Road, So. San Francisco, Calif. 94080, 415-873-4757.

Public offering aids Aquagenix expansion

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Newly capitalized Aquagenix, Inc. has acquired the lake management division of Mitigation Services, Inc., an affiliated company of Jacksonville-based Environmental Services, Inc.

The sale price was approximately $250,000 in cash and notes, said Andrew P. Chesler, president of Environmental Services, Inc., which owns six-county area covering northern Florida and southern Georgia; assume an office warehouse lease in southern Jacksonville's Phillips Industrial Park; and purchase aquatic equipment. Once the acquisition is completed, the new Jacksonville office of Environmental Waterway will be run by Darrell Blackall, former head of aquatic management programs for the St. Johns River Water Control District.

Aquagenix has been one of the golf course industry's busiest firms since going public earlier this year. At the initial public offering of 1.25 million shares of common stock, at $5 per share, and 1.25 redeemable warrants at $.10 per warrant.

Putting test results to the test

Aquiring data on any riding mower is difficult because the recording equipment must be portable and impenetrable to grass, dirt and water.

In the past, data acquisition for development projects of this type was accomplished by designing a prototype with a miniature, single-channel, data-logging device. Most such equipment requires multiple-channel acquisition in order to track the effects of important events throughout the various systems. A one-channel device made it necessary to repeat events several times each time connecting the logger to a different sensor. This took large amounts of time and detracted from accuracy because once a swath was cut, it couldn't be repeated — and no two swaths are exactly alike.

After investigating multiple-channel data acquisition alternatives, Jacobsen found a number of portable multiple-channel data-acquisition devices but all were too large to fit on riding turf equipment. Further, they weren't rugged enough to

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Mid-America teams with Textron, buys Flying Dutchman

COLLEGEVILLE, Pa. — Mid-Atlantic Equipment Co., an East Coast distributor of golf cars and industrial utility vehicles based here, has reached an agreement with John Clough, Mid-Atlantic president. Clough also announced that Mid-Atlantic has purchased Flying Dutchman, Inc., an independent golf car dealership located in Stuart, Fla.

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Floating bunker pumper

The Bunker Pumper floating, portable pump, manufactured by Otterbine-Barebo, is designed to be an efficient, easy method of getting water out of the way fast. This self-priming pump removes water from sand traps, swimming pools and other low-lying areas. Capable of starting in as little as 3 inches of water, the Bunker Pumper can pump 280 gallons per minute. Features include a Briggs & Stratton 8-horsepower engine and a cast aluminum alloy pump with built-in suction screen and skids. Weighing in at only 85 pounds, the pump is designed for easy handling. For more information, contact Otterbine-Barebo, Inc., 3840 Main Road East, Emmaus, Pa., 18049; or call 1-800-AER8TER.

CIRCLE #301

Merit, smaller bottle

Miles Inc.’s new insecticide Merit 75 WP, developed for season-long control of insects on turf and ornamentals, is now available in smaller bottles for smaller applications. Merit 75 WP can be used to control white grub larvae, billbugs and annual bluegrass weevils on golf courses. It is best used when soil-applied at low-use rates. Its low toxicity poses reduced risks to applicators and non-target species.

For more information, contact Miles Inc. at 8400 Hawthorn Road, P.O. Box 4913, Kansas City, Mo. 64120-0013, or call 816-242-2000.

CIRCLE #302

New ‘spray-dry’ Ultrex

ISK Biosciences has launched an advanced “spray-dry” formulation of its new Daconil Ultrex fungicide that it claims not only mixes faster and stays in suspension longer, but also stays on foliage longer and provides better control of brown patch.

The new formulation produces tiny, sand-like particles that pour with little dust, go into solution with little foaming and begin mixing when they hit water, according to ISK. Daconil Ultrex is labeled for control of 14 other major diseases of warm- and cool-season turf in addition to brown patch, including dollar spot, leaf spot, snow mold. For more information contact ISK Biosciences at 1-800-241-4128.

CIRCLE #303

Roll-over protection

If work-vehicle rollovers are a possibility at your golf course, Ransomes Turf & Tractor Corporation may have a safe answer.

Ransomes has introduced a new roll-over protection system (ROPS) for Cushman Turf-Trucker and Cushman Jr. Turf-Trucker work vehicles. The four-post tubular-steel configuration meets federal work-tractor requirements.

The system is designed to be attached to any Turf-Trucker built after 1981 and comes standard with two seat belts.

For more information contact Ransomes America Corporation, P.O. Box 82409, Lincoln, Neb. 68501, or call 1-800-228-4444.

CIRCLE #304

New weather sensor

Weather Metrics, Inc. has developed a stand-alone weather station that can monitor up to 200 sensors, seven weather parameters and also calculate evapotranspiration for up to six crop coefficients. The Turf Weather Station does not require a computer. But with a computer, the station’s software works within Microsoft Windows. Data is read at 8 second intervals, averaged, and recorded in increments defined by the user.

For more information call Weather Metrics, Inc. at 1-800-869-6629.

CIRCLE #305

Classen core aerator

Classen Manufacturing Inc. has added the new TA-19 self-propelled roll-type core aerator to its turf equipment line. The machine is powered by a 4-horsepower Honda engine and will cover up to 24,000 square feet per hour. Other features include a rugged one-piece frame with removable weight bar and user-friendly handle and controls. The unit fits easily through a 30-inch gate.

For more information contact Classen Manufacturing Inc. at 1403 Pine Industrial Road, P.O. Box 172, Norfolk, Neb. 68020; or call 402-371-2294.

CIRCLE #306

GCSAA sponsorships

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what the GCSAA calls a “major financial contribution” from Lebanon Turf Products, the association will begin collecting and cataloging information on golf course-related environmental issues.

This body of data, dubbed the “Environmental Resources Library,” will include appropriate scientific and technical journals, references, textbooks, trade and advocacy group magazines. The GCSAA’s Technical Information Services department will oversee the new library.

Other non-show sponsorships include Ciba’s backing of the GCSAA Certification Luncheon (held at the show) and the Environmental Steward Awards, co-sponsored by Ciba, RainBird and Jacobsen.

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