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NATIONAL PESTICIDE INFORMATION CENTER

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Narrative: **Email Received:** My name is [omitted]. I'm writing in regards to the Seresto collar cases. Thank you very much for looking into this.

I lost my cat Cleo August 2019, a few months after I had bought her a Seresto flea collar. I bought the collar on Amazon.com around March 29th. She did not have any health issues prior to having used the collar. Around June she had lost some weight and was less energetic. By July she has lost a quarter of her weight and lots of hair. She struggled to eat and was too weak to use her litterbox. I took her to several vets throughout these months and nobody could tell me what was wrong. They said she had a UTI but I knew something else was wrong. Around this time was when I removed the flea collar for her comfort, but I did not think it would be the cause.

After a last trip to the vet, they told me they could not diagnose her with anything, but that her state was deteriorating day by day. I made the decision to put her down as the vet offered no hope.

Unfortunately, I do not have the collar anymore, as I mentioned this was some time ago. I do have medical records and receipt for the Seresto collar for proof of purchase, along with pictures of her wearing the color during these months.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional info. Thank you very much once again.

Hope to hear back soon!

Email Response:
Thank you for contacting the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC). I am very sorry to hear of the loss of Cleo! The National Pesticide Information Center at Oregon State University is an information service and has no regulatory authority in relation to pesticides. However, our incident reports are made available to the US EPA. Please call us at 800-858-7378 Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 12:00pm Pacific Time to speak directly to a Pesticide Specialist to further report and discuss the situation.

An additional mode of reporting adverse effects is by contacting the manufacturer. Under FIFRA 6(a)(2), manufacturers are required to submit adverse effects information about their products to the US EPA. The Seresto collars are made by Elanco:

Elanco Animal Health
(888) 545-5973

Resource used: Small Animal Toxicology, 3rd ed.