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Allison:

Thank you for this information. I wanted to confirm whether OCSPP will take the lead in responding. If so would you copy me and R4 LCRD Director/Deputy- Cesar Zapata, Ramon Torres on the response? Thank you.

Sincerely,
Beth

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+ John and Beth for awareness too

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A good number of questions on the PFAS pesticide packaging issue from Florida Dept of Ag. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**Subject:** Florida PFAS Concerns

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumers Services (FDACS) appreciates the opportunity to submit questions and concerns regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recent finding of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in pesticide packaging. The January 14th press release concerning EPA's action to address PFAS in a mosquito control product caused great concern not only for mosquito control programs, but also for all agrichemical producers, distributors, and users who may purchase products packaged in similar containers.

After hearing from Florida stakeholders, here are some additional questions we ask that EPA consider as this issue is further evaluated:

- What should be done with remaining stocks of Anvil 10+10? Can more information be provided on the registrant's response?
- Other than Anvil 10+10, what other packaging/products are affected, including those that may go beyond agrichemical industry such as in the food industry or homeowner products? Can a list be provided?
- Will affected products be placed under Stop Sale/Stop Use by EPA or State Lead Agencies?
- Is there a Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for the packaging?
- Is the PFAS contamination confirmed to be linked to the fluorination process? If so, what are the alternatives to fluorination or alternative types of rigid containers available to the agrichemical industry?
- After Anvil 10+10 is properly mixed (diluting the concentrate) and applied at the maximum label rate, what level of PFAS is making it into the environment?
- Will there be a foreseeable interruption in supply and inventory if the science leads to a change in fluorinated HDPE containers?
- What is the position of other governments and trade partners, including Canada, Mexico, and the European Union, on PFAS? Are levels of concern or action levels established in other countries?
- What will this mean for export/import of agrichemical products? What will this mean import/export of agricultural crops that were treated with agrichemicals stored in fluorinated HDPE packaging?

We appreciate EPA providing information to states as quickly as possible. We also request that careful consideration be given to a communication plan. While scientific information is critical, it is also important to provide information that addresses concerns of the general public.

If you have questions please feel free to reach out. We hope to continue a dialogue with EPA on this issue.

Sincerely,

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