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General Comment

Glyphosate is a very important herbicide for farmers because it is so safe. Once it is in contact with the soil it is no longer active. As a farmer I need to be able to use this herbicide to change crops, get rid of weeds in the fence rows and drive areas. Our farm does not use gyphosate tolerant plants but I know some farmers have been able to spray it in place of more toxic herbicides to control weeds in certain plants.

It seems today that a lot of things are said to be causing cancer without sincere proof. A 1966 study of truck drivers proved that truck drivers died of cancer more than other occupations so the assumption was that the diesel exhaust was causing the cancer when it turned out to be that a high number of those truck drivers also smoked heavily, were sedimentary and drank coffee. The real cause of the cancer is not the diesel exhaust but the hundreds of cigarettes smoked by these people.

I ask you to please be mindful of the consequence of taking a reliable product of the market and out of our hands as a tool.