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Dear Ms. Maignan:

The Missouri Department of Agriculture requests a specific emergency exemption under the provisions of section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, as amended, for use of Sulfoxaflor, formulated as the product Transform® WG, (EPA Reg. No. 62719-625), on sorghum to control the newly introduced sugarcane aphid (SA), Melanaphis sp., and incorporates by reference all information submitted in the previous application dated May 6, 2016.

This is the fourth year that the Missouri Department of Agriculture has requested this use. The Department asks that this specific exemption request be processed as eligible for a streamlined repeat request as allowed by 40 CFR 166.20(b)(5).

Also in accordance with the regulations, the Missouri Department of Agriculture hereby certifies the following:

1. __x___ The emergency condition(s) described in the previously submitted emergency exemption application continues to exist.

2. __x___ All information submitted in the previously submitted emergency exemption application is still accurate.

3. __x___ The proposed conditions of use are identical to the conditions of use EPA approved previously for emergency File Symbol #17MO2, dated: April 20, 2017.

4. __x___ There were no additional conditions or limitations on the eligibility for recertification identified in the previous notice of approval.

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5. __x___ The applicant has not newly become aware of any alternative chemical or nonchemical practice that may offer a meaningful level of pest control.

6. __x__ A final report is attached.

We hope this information is sufficient for the application process. If you have any questions regarding this specific exemption request, please contact Melissa May of the Department's Bureau of Pesticide Control at (573) 522-1637 or melissa.may@mda.mo.gov.

The use of this pesticide is of **extreme** importance to our sorghum producers. We respectfully request this application be given a priority review.

Sincerely,

Dawn Wall

Dawn Wall
Program Administrator
Bureau of Pesticide Control

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Enclosures