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Re-approval of plant protection instruments, Testing of the Spray Scanner inspection equipment, Inspection No. G 1281

Your application of 10 February 2004

In respect of your application of 10 February 2004 for re-approval, the "Spray Scanner" inspection equipment is approved as suitable for checking spraying devices being used in practice on field crops (measurement of the cross distribution) with the condition set out below:

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- The instrument checklist integrated in the software must be brought into line with the current version of the BBA guidelines 1-3.2.1 (Characteristics for the testing of spraying and atomising devices used on field crops and bush and tree crops).

In order for this condition to be checked, please send the modified software to the Application Techniques Division carried paid by 15 March 2005.

I.

The applicant applied for testing of the following instrument for re-approval on 10 February 2004 in accordance with section 33 para 2 (5) of the Plant Protection Act [PflSchG]:

Measuring device which can be moved on rails with a working width of 24 m, consisting of 8 measuring channels in a stainless steel housing (channel width 100 mm, channel length 1,500 mm), 8 plastic measuring cylinders (inside diameter 19.5 mm, height 183 mm) with contact sensors for "start measuring" and "stop measuring" and emptying device, measurement value calculator and liquid crystal display unit in a waterproof case (protection class IP 65) and RS 232 interface with memory box for data transfer to a PC which is to be provided.

The inspection equipment had to be re-approved. No conditions were required in accordance with the inspection rules (Guidelines 1 - 2.3.1 of March 1999).

The approval ends five years after expiry of the year in which it was granted, and can be granted again. It will be published in Part 6 of the Directory of Plant Protection Products.

The test is carried out in accordance with section 33 para. 2 (5) of the Plant Protection Act [PfISchG] on the basis of the inspection rules (Guidelines 1 - 2.3.1 of March 1999). The legal requirements form the basis of the assessment (Annex 1 of the Ordinance on plant protection products and tools used in plant protection) as well as the supplementary requirements and recommendations for plant protection equipment in accordance with section 33 of the Plant Protection Act (BBA Guidelines 1-2.1 of April 1999). The assessment of the instrument took place after a hearing by the technical committee on procedures for the approval of instruments.

Supplementary information:

The instrument can be described as officially tested and approved by the Federal Biological Research Centre and can also use the approval reference.

According to a statement by the Federal Association of Agricultural Trade Associations, Kassel, of 14 October 2004 there are no safety reservations against the approval of the instrument (file ref: 141.5 - G - 1281).

III.

Fees are charged for the testing of the instrument in accordance with the Plant Protection Fee Schedule of 5 October 1998 as amended on 6 August 2002 (Federal Law Gazette 1 S. 3082). The amount of the fee will be set separately (fee number: 4280).

Statement of rights of redress or appeal:

An objection can be lodged against this decision within a month of its announcement. The objection must be lodged in writing or recorded at the Federal Biological Research Centre, Messeweg 11/12, 38104 Braunschweig, Germany.

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