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**FEED INDUSTRY MEMORANDUM NO. 6-5**

**LABELING OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING FLY CONTROL PESTICIDES**

**OBJECTIVE:**

To clarify the labeling requirements of feeds containing the fly control pesticides

**BACKGROUND:**

Use of phenothiazine and Rabon in commercial feeds is governed by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Texas Pesticide Control Act as a pesticide, and by the Texas Commercial Feed Control Act as a feed additive. Registration with the Texas Department of Agriculture as a pesticide is not required for such products containing approved pesticide levels of these compounds. Rabon may be used in any feed containing any approved animal drug unless contraindicated by the drug approval; such products must comply with all provisions of the Texas Commercial Feed Control Act, as well.

**POLICY:**

As phenothiazine and Rabon are considered feed additives under the Texas Commercial Feed Control Act, all provisions of the Act apply, including labeling of the products in accordance with federal regulations. As phenothiazine and Rabon are not approved new animal drugs, their use does not require the term "medicated" in the brand name of an otherwise non-medicated commercial feed. However, an indications for use statement, guarantees, feeding directions, and any warning statements required by federal regulations are prerequisites for registration under the feed act.

Use of Rabon in otherwise medicated feeds is governed by applicable federal regulation and the term "medicated" must appear directly below the product name, as required by the Texas Commercial Feed Rules.

Questions regarding the regulatory status of pesticide-containing feed may be directed to this Office. Questions regarding the regulatory status of pesticides per se should be directed to the Pesticide Registration Section of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

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