IR-4 Food-Use Program

Successes for the quarter are listed in the attached tables.

IR-4 Food-Use Research - 2002

The current tally for the 2002 research program is in; IR-4 is conducting 100 residue studies supported by 635 field trials. There are an additional 33 trials being conducted to support performance and crop safety studies. IR-4 is already starting plans for the 2003 season with the Food Use Workshop set for September 17 to 19, 2002 in Orlando, Florida.

Industry Meetings with IR-4 during the 2nd Quarter 2002: IR-4 Headquarters staff members have been making their annual tour of meetings with partnership companies. This quarter, IR-4 has had meetings with Arvesta (Tomen), BASF, Cerexagri, Dow AgroSciences, DuPont, FMC, Makhteshim-Agan N.A., Nichino, Syngenta, Uniroyal and Valent to discuss cooperative projects. These meetings are used to update project status and prepare for the September 2002 Food Use Workshop.

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IR-4/USDA Food-Use Workshop Announcement: 17-19 September 2002

If you have an interest in expanding the range of pest control products available for use on minor crops, plan to attend the 26th annual IR-4/USDA Food-Use Workshop. It will be held September 17-19, 2002 at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida. Input is needed from research scientists, extension personnel, commodity groups, growers and agrochemical and biopesticide industry representatives on specific pest control needs for minor food crops (fruits, nuts, vegetables, herbs, and others). Separate day-long sessions will be held for weed, insect/mites, and disease management. The outcome of the Workshop will help determine the prioritization of IR-4’s 2003 research projects. IR-4 is funded and supported by USDA and the State Agricultural Experiment Stations. IR-4 conducts field trials and residue chemistry analyses (under Good Laboratory Practices) on promising pest control products to obtain EPA clearances for use on minor crops. The July 2002 “IR-4 New Products/Transitional Solution List” and a Project Clearance Request (PCR) form are included with this Newsletter as part of our “IR-4 Report” publication series to support your review of needed uses.

Deadline for Hotel and Workshop Registration is August 15

Pre-register ($100.00) by calling Cheryl Ferrazoli at IR-4 Headquarters, 732-932-9575 ext. 601. On-site registration is $125.00. A special room rate of $95.00 for Workshop attendees is available until August 15 by calling the hotel directly (407-996-9700)

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