

University Cooperators and Specialists,

This letter is to inform you of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) intention to cancel the registrations of flubendiamide-containing products in the United States.

Please note: while under review, farmers and retailers can continue to buy, sell and use the product in their operations.

Flubendiamide is marketed as Belt®, an insecticide registered on more than 200 crops and widely used by growers because of its favorable safety profile and excellent fit in IPM programs.

Bayer strongly disagrees with the EPA's decision, which we believe exaggerates environmental risk, violates transparent and proper regulatory processes, undermines the scientific integrity of the regulatory system, and ultimately seeks to deny farmers a valuable tool to manage destructive pests on their farms.

For this reason, Bayer is appealing EPA's decision through the legal process.

We will continue to update you as new information is available. I would like to thank you for your stewardship of Belt® and we look forward to your continued support as we work through this process.

Attached also, is a Q&A should you get any questions from the field.

If you have any questions about this issue, please feel free to contact your local Bayer Field Sales Representative, or call 1-866-99-BAYER ([1-866-992-2937](tel:1-866-992-2937)).

Best regards,

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Customer Q&A:

Should I stop using this product on my farm?

No. You can continue to use the product according to label directions.

Can I return unused product and get a refund from Bayer?

Since the product's registration is still valid there is no need to return the product and you can still feel confident in buying, selling and using it at this time. Should things change, Bayer will notify you immediately and work with our customers to resolve the situation.

Why are you taking legal action?

We need to defend access to safe technology for our customers. Our regulatory framework is based on the transparent application of scientific risk assessment, to ensure the highest standards of safety and encourages innovation. We do not believe the EPA followed the proper process in this case.

What is your likelihood of success in defending the technology?

It is too early to tell. However, we will do all we can to support our grower customers and defend their access to this important tool.

When will I know more? What is the time horizon for this situation?

It is too early to predict a time horizon, but we will keep you apprised as more information becomes available.

Who should I contact for more information?

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