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Chemical Regulator Orders Product Recall

The Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) yesterday ordered the compulsory product recall of 52 agricultural chemical products.

The products were supplied by Western Australian company Imtrade Australia Pty Ltd. The company mainly supplies herbicides, insecticides and fungicides.

The APVMA is now aware that false information was provided by the company in its applications for registration of the relevant chemical products.

In particular, the APVMA is now aware that a manufacturing site nominated by the company did not exist. The products are therefore not validly registered and are being recalled.

'This recall action follows an intensive investigation conducted by the APVMA and has not been taken lightly,' Mr Neville Matthew, Program Manager, Regulatory Strategy and Compliance said today.

It is, however, a measure of the seriousness with which the APVMA regards its regulatory responsibilities,' he said.

'Industry and the community are entitled to expect that chemical companies will be completely accurate in their dealings with the APVMA and other chemical regulators,' he said.

Particulars relating to the 'Notice to Recall the Products' will be gazetted shortly. The notice requires the company to take action to advertise the recall in various print media nationally.

The recall notice specifies a number of products to be recalled from the supply chain and for supply to the marketplace to cease.

The cost of the recall is to be met by the company.

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