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Mr. Tony DiGiovanni
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RE: USE OF UNREGISTERED PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS – ‘Iron-based Fertilizers’

Dear Mr. DiGiovanni,

It has recently come to our attention that a number of Landscape Ontario members are promoting the use of unregistered iron-based fertilizers for the selective control of broadleaf weeds in turf.

At the present time, there are only two commercial iron-based products registered under the Pest Control Products Act (PCPA) for the selective control of broadleaf weeds in turf, including Fiesta Lawn Weed Killer Ready To Spray (PCP No. 29534) and Fiesta Lawn Weed Killer (PCP No. 29535).

The use of unregistered pest control products in Canada is prohibited as per Section 6 (1) of the PCPA; *“No person shall manufacture, store, transport, import, distribute or use a pest control product that is not registered under this Act...”*. Accordingly, any person found using/promoting an unregistered iron fertilizer for weed control will be subject to compliance and enforcement measures, as set forth by the authority of the PCPA and Regulations.

I am sending you this information for your consideration. I would be most interested in obtaining any ideas or suggestions you may have to help effect compliance with our Federal Legislation.

I look forward to your comments or suggestions and thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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