Herbicide



For preplant burndown/ preemergence, preplant incorporated and postemergence control in field corn, sweet corn, popcorn and soybean.

EPA Reg. No. 279-3450	EPA Est. 279-IL-1
ACTIVE INGREDIENT:	By Wt.
Pyroxasulfone	22.61%
Fluthiacet-methyl	0.69%
Other Ingredients	<u>76.70%</u>
Total:	100.0%

Contains petroleum distillate

ANTHEM is a suspoemulsion containing 2.15 total lbs. active ingredient per gallon (containing 2.087 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.063 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl)

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION/AVISO

Si usted no entiende esta etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand this label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

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**Net Contents: 2.5 Gallons** 

#### **FIRST AID**

If Swallowed: Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

If on Skin or Clothing: Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

If in Eyes: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

If Inhaled: Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

Note to Physician: Contains petroleum distillate, vomiting may cause aspiration pneumonia.

#### HOTLINE NUMBER

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-800-331-3148 for emergency medical treatment information.

#### **ATTENTION**

Although this label may appear similar to the label on a product you may have used, there may be important label differences. Users must read, understand and strictly follow all label directions, precautions and restrictions.

It is the user's responsibility to be sure the product is approved for sale or use on the intended crop and for use in the specific geographic area.

It is the user's responsibility to be aware of and to follow all State or local precautions or restrictions not appearing on this product label. Prior to purchase or use of this product, read the Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability on page 5 of this label. If the terms and conditions are unacceptable, return the product immediately in the original and unopened container.

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### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals Caution

ANTHEM may cause substantial, but temporary, eye injury. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Wear protective eyewear (goggles, face shield or safety glasses). Harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with skin or cloth-

#### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear: long sleeved shirt and long pants, chemical resistant gloves such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥ 14 mils, or viton ≥ 14 mils, shoes plus socks, and protective eyewear (goggles or face shield).

Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product. Do not reuse them. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

#### User Safety Recommendations: Users should:

- Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, or using tobacco or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling the product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This pesticide is toxic to fish, aquatic invertebrates, and to some plants at very low concentrations. Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Drift and runoff from treated areas may be hazardous to terrestrial and aquatic plants in neighboring areas. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment wash waters or rinsate. Do not discharge effluent containing this active ingredient into lakes, streams, ponds, estuaries, oceans, or other waters unless in accordance with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, and the permitting authority has been notified in writing prior to discharge. Do not discharge effluent containing this product into sewer systems without previously notifying the local sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance, contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the EPA.

**Ground Water Advisory:** This chemical and its degradation products have properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in ground water. This chemical may leach into ground water if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.

Surface Water Advisories: Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Drift and runoff may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in water adjacent to treated areas. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment wash waters or rinsate.

This product may impact surface water quality due to runoff of rain water. This is especially true for poorly draining soils and soils with shallow ground water. This product is classified as having a high potential for reaching both surface water and aquatic sediment via runoff for several months or longer after application. A level, well maintained vegetative buffer strip between areas to which this product is applied and surface water features such as ponds, streams, and springs will reduce the potential loading of pyroxasulfone and its degradation product, (5- difluoromethoxy-1H-pyrazol-4-yl) methanesulfone acid (M1), from runoff water and sediment. Runoff of this product will be reduced by avoiding applications when rainfall is forecasted to occur within 48 hours

<u>Point Source Contamination:</u> To prevent point source contamination do not mix or load this or any other pesticide within 50 feet of wells (including abandoned wells and drainage wells, sink holes, perennial or intermittent streams and rivers, and natural or impounded lakes and reservoirs). This setback does not apply to properly capped or plugged abandoned wells and does not apply to impervious pad or dike mixing/ loading areas as described below.

Mixing, loading, rinsing, or washing operations performed within 50 feet of a well are allowed only when conducted on an impervious pad constructed to withstand the weight of the heaviest load that may be on or move across the pad. The pad must be self contained to prevent surface water flow over or from the pad. The pad capacity must be maintained at 110% of that of the largest pesticide container or application equipment used on the pad and has sufficient capacity to contain all products spills, equipment or container leaks, equipment wash waters and rainwater that may fall on the pad. The containment capacity does not apply to vehicles delivering pesticides shipments to the mixing/loading site. States may have in effect additional requirements regarding wellhead setbacks and operational containment.

Care must be taken when using this product to prevent back siphoning into wells, spills or improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixes, or rinsates. Check valves or anti-siphoning devices must be used on all mixing equipment.

Endangered Species Protection Requirements: This product may have effects on federally listed threatened or endangered plant species or their critical habitat. When using this product, you must follow the measures contained in the Endangered Species Protection Bulletin for the county or parish in which you are applying the pesticide. To determine whether your county or parish has a Bulletin, and to obtain that Bulletin, consult "http://www.epa.gov/espp/, or call 1-800-447-3813 no more than 6 months before using this product. Applicators must use Bulletins that are in effect in the month in which the pesticide will be applied. New Bulletins will generally be available from the above sources 6 months prior to their effective dates.

### Physical/Chemical Hazards

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WAR-**RANTY AND LIABILITY**

**NOTICE:** Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness, or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions beyond the control or FMC or Seller. To the extent consistent with applicable law, all such risks shall be assumed by Buyer and User, and, to the extent consistent with applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold FMC and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

Seller warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated on the Directions for Use when used in accordance with the directions under normal conditions of use. TO THE EXTENT CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE LAW, FMC MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE SELECTION, PURCHASE, OR USE OF THIS PRODUCT Any warranties average or implied by USE OF THIS PRODUCT. Any warranties, express or implied, having been made are inapplicable if this product has been used contrary to label instructions, or under abnormal conditions, or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to (or beyond the control of) seller or FMC, and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, buyer assumes the risk of any such use.

To the extent consistent with applicable law, FMC or seller shall not be To the extent consistent with applicable law, FMC or seller shall not be liable for any incidental, consequential or special damages resulting from the use or handling of this product. TO THE EXTENT CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE LAW, THE EXCLUSIVE REMEDY OF THE USER OR BUYER, AND THE EXCLUSIVE LIABILITY OF FMC AND SELLER FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, INJURIES OR DAMAGES (INCLUDING CLAIMS BASED ON BREACH OF WARRANTY, CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE, TORT, STRICT LIABILITY OR OTHERWISE) RESULTING FROM THE USE OR HANDLING OF THIS PRODUCT, SHALL BE THE RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE PRODUCT OR, AT THE ELECTION OF FMC OR SELLER, THE REPLACEMENT OF THE PRODUCT.

This Condition of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability may not be amended by any oral or written agreement.

#### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal. Open dumping is prohibited.

#### Pesticide Storage

Store product in original container only, well ventilated area, separately from fertilizer, feed, or foodstuffs and away from other pesticides. Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Store in a cool dry place and avoid excess heat.

#### In Case of Spill

Avoid contact. Isolate areas and keep out animals and unprotected persons.

#### To Confine Spills.

Dike surrounding area; sweep up spillage, Dispose of in accordance with information given under Pesticide Disposal. Wash spill area with water, absorb with sand, cat litter or commercial clay, sweep up and dispose of in an approved manner. Place damaged container in a large holding container. Identify contents per required hazardous waste labeling regulations.

#### Pesticide Disposal

Pesticide wastes are toxic. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste representative of the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

#### **Container Disposal**

Metal or Plastic Containers - Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Triple rinse as follows: (For containers greater than 5 gallons) Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container 1/4 full with water. Replace and tighten closures. Tip container on its side and roll it back and forth, ensuring at least one complete revolution, for 30 seconds. Stand the container on its end and tip it back and forth several times. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available, or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities. (For containers 5 gallons or less) Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available, or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities. Do not cut or weld metal containers. If burned, stay out of smoke.

Returnable/Refillable Containers - Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not reuse this container for any other purpose. Cleaning the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To clean the container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container about 10% full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Pour or pump rinsate into application equipment or rinsate collection system. Repeat this rinsing procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available, or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

#### RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT

#### Mode of action (12.1)

Anthem Herbicide contains pyroxasulfone which acts to inhibit very long chain fatty acid synthesis as a Group 15 (WSSA)/ Group K3 (HRAC) herbicide. It is a root and shoot growth inhibitor that controls susceptible germinating seedlings before or soon after they emerge from the soil. Anthem Herbicide also contains fluthiacet-methyl which is a protoporphyrinogen oxidase (PPO) Group 14 (WSSA) inhibitor herbicide that is active on emerged weeds.

Any weed population may contain or develop plants naturally resistant to pyroxasulfone, fluthiacet-methyl and other Group 14 or 15 herbicides. Weed species with resistance to 14 or Group 15 may eventually dominate the weed population if Groups 14 or 15 herbicides are used repeatedly in the same in the same field or in successive years as the primary method of control for targeted species. This may results in partial or total loss of control of those species by pyroxasulfone, fluthiacet-methyl or other Group 14 or 15 herbicides.

#### **Resistant Weeds**

Some weeds are known to develop resistance to herbicides that have been used repeatedly. While the development of resistance is well understood, it is not easily predicted. Therefore herbicides should be used in conjunction with resistance management strategies in the area. Consult the local or State agricultural advisors for herbicide resistance strategies. If weed resistance should develop in the area, this product used alone may not continue to provide sufficient levels of weed control. If the reduced levels of control cannot be attributed to improper application timing, unfavorable weather conditions or abnormally high weed

pressure, a resistant strain may have developed. To reduce the potential for weed resistance, use this product in a rotation program with other classes of chemistry and modes of action. Always apply this product at the recommended rates and in accordance with the use directions. For optimum performance, scout fields carefully and begin applications when weeds are small. If resistance is suspected, contact the local or State agricultural advisors.

#### **Glyphosate Resistant Weeds**

Some populations of weeds may be tolerant or resistant to glyphosate based herbicides. Applying ANTHEM in a tank mixture with glyphosate for control of emerged resistant weeds larger than specified in Table 6 in a postemergence application may result in unsatisfactory control. Follow all directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA-approved label for each product in the tank mixture.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read all Directions for Use carefully before applying.

Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the agency responsible for pesticide regulation.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE AND PRECAUTIONS ON THIS LABEL MAY RESULT IN POOR WEED CONTROL, CROP INJURY, OR ILLEGAL RESIDUES.

#### AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This Standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE) and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

## Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water, is: Coveralls over long-sleeved shirt and long pants, protective eyewear (goggles or face shield), chemical resistant gloves such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber  $\geq$  14 mils, or piton  $\geq$  14 mils, and shoes plus socks.

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

ANTHEM can be applied in all tillage systems (conventional, reduced and no-tillage). ANTHEM can be applied in the fall or in the spring as a preplant, pre plant incorporated, preemergence, or early post emergence treatment for susceptible grass and broadleaf weeds in field corn, seed corn, sweet corn, popcorn & soybeans. Anthem may also be used in double cropping and multiple relay inter-cropping.

#### Weed Size:

When applying ANTHEM alone for post emergent weed control, apply before the weeds have reached the maximum height listed in Table 9. Application after weeds have reached the listed maximum height for control could result in commercially unacceptable weed control. For control of weeds in post applications larger than listed in Table 9 and for wider spectrum, apply in tank-mixture with herbicide(s) that are labeled for control of targeted weeds. Uniform spray coverage is necessary for optimum performance.

#### **Application Instructions and Timings:**

Moisture is necessary to activate the active ingredient pyroxasulfone in soil for weed control. Dry weather following applications of ANTHEM may reduce effectiveness. However, when adequate moisture is received after dry conditions, ANTHEM will control susceptible germinating weeds. ANTHEM may not control weeds that germinate after application but before an activating rainfall/irrigation of at least ½ inch, or weeds that germinate through cracks resulting from dry soil. When adequate moisture is not received after ANTHEM application, weed control may be improved by irrigation. Do not use on peat or muck soils or mineral soils with 10% or more organic matter content. Refer to the crop specific information section for specific application rates, timings and the restrictions and limitations by crop and use pattern.

#### **Application Precautions for Post Emergence Applications:**

- 1. If applying ANTHEM post emergence, avoid applications when crop foliage is wet due to heavy dew, rain, or irrigation moisture. If ANTHEM is applied post emergence, shortly before or soon after rainfall, crop response can occur. Recovery from this response is rapid and normal growth is not delayed. Crop yields will not be impacted by this crop response.
- Do not apply if crop is under severe stress due to drought, cold weather, hail, flooding, water-logged or compacted soil, disease, insect damage, nutrient deficiency (especially low nitrogen levels), or other causes
- 3. Do not tank mix any chlorpyrifos containing insecticide with ANTHEM

in post applications as crop injury might occur.
4. Do not irrigate within 4 hours of a post emergence application of ANTHEM. Rainfall or irrigation within 1 hour may wash ANTHEM off of the weeds during this period and may reduce post emergence perform-

5. Observe all precautions and limitations on the label of each product used in tank mixture with ANTHEM.

#### Restrictions

- Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.
- Do not use flood irrigation to apply, activate or incorporate this
- Do not make more than 1 preemergence application to spring corn & soybeans.
- Do not harvest or feed field corn forage until 30 days after the last application of ANTHEM Herbicide.
- Do not harvest or feed sweet corn forage or ears until 40 days after the last application of ANTHEM Herbicide.
- Do not harvest or feed corn grain or stover (fodder) until 70 days after the last application of ANTHEM Herbicide.
- Do not graze or feed treated soybean forage or hay to livestock.

#### **Ground Application**

Use sufficient spray pressure and spray volume for accurate and uniform application. Refer to instructions for the spray equipment used to determine the actual minimum volume. The carrier may be either water or a sprayable fluid fertilizer. Do not apply this product without dilution in a spray carrier. Apply ANTHEM in a minimum of 5 gallons of water per acre or 10 or more gallons of sprayable fluid nitrogen fertilizer per treat-ed acre for weed control applications. For postemergence applications, apply Anthem in a minimum of 10 gallons per acre of finished spray solution. If a dense crop and/or weed canopy is present, use up to 40 gallons of spray solution per acre.

#### **Aerial Application**

Use nozzle types and arrangement that will provide optimum coverage and minimize drift potential. Apply with a minimum of 3 gallons per acre of finished spray solution. For dense weed populations or heavy crop canopy, a higher spray volume may be required to obtain adequate spray coverage.

Proper Handling Instructions This product may not be mixed or loaded within 50 feet of any wells (including abandoned wells and drainage wells), sink holes, perennial or intermittent streams and rivers, and natural or impounded lakes and reservoirs. This setback does not apply to properly capped or plugged abandoned wells and does not apply to impervious pad or properly diked mixing/loading areas.

Operations that involve mixing, loading rinsing, or washing of this product into or from pesticide handling or application equipment or containers within 50 feet of any well are prohibited unless conducted on an impervious pad constructed to withstand the weight of the heaviest load that may be positioned on or moved across the pad. Such a pad shall be designed and maintained to contain any product spills or equipment leaks, container or equipment rinse or wash water, and rainwater that may fall on the pad. Surface water shall not be allowed to either flow over or from the pad, which means the pad must be self contained. The pad shall be sloped to facilitate material removal. An unroofed pad shall be of sufficient capacity to contain at a minimum 110% of the capacity of the largest pesticide container or application equipment on the pad. A pad that is covered by a roof of sufficient size to completely exclude precipitation from contact with the pad shall have a minimum containment capacity of 100% of the capacity of the largest pesticide container or application equipment on the pad. Containment capacities as described above shall be maintained at all times. The above specific minimum containment capacities do not apply to vehicles when delivering pesticide shipments to the mixing/loading site. States may have in effect additional requirements regarding wellhead setbacks and operational containment.

This product must be used in a manner which will prevent back siphoning into wells, spills or improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mix-

#### MIXING AND LOADING INSTRUCTIONS Mixing Instructions:

1. The spray equipment must be clean before using this product. If it is contaminated with other materials, mixing problems and/or clogging can occur and/or crop response can occur.

- 2. Prepare no more spray mixture than is needed for the immediate application. Applying the product immediately after preparation ensures that it is in suspension. If application is delayed, agitation to re-mix the products and checking for resuspension ensures proper
- 3. Maintain maximum agitation throughout the spraying operation.
- 4. Flush the spray equipment thoroughly after each use and apply rinsate to an appropriate area.

- Mixing Steps:
  1. Add 1/4 -1/2 of the required amount of clean water and/or fertilizer to the spray or mixing tank.
- 2. While maintaining agitation, continue filling the spray tank. When the tank is 3/4 full, add any dry formulation tank mix partners and allow them to completely and uniformly disperse.

- 3. Add the required amount of ANTHEM to the spray tank while maintaining agitation. After the product has completely and uniformly dispersed into the tank mix, add any other liquid tank mix partners and allow them to completely and uniformly disperse.
- Add the proper amount of spray adjuvant and continue agitation while adding the remaining water and/or fertilizer.
- 5. Complete filling the tank with clean water and/or fertilizer to maintain sufficient agitation at all times to insure surface action until the mix-
- 6. After use, thoroughly clean the sprayer according to this label (see Cleaning Spray Equipment) and any tank mix partner labels.

#### Mixing ANTHEM in Tank Mixtures with Other Herbicides and Fluid **Fertilizers**

ANTHEM is compatible with most commonly used herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and spray adjuvants. BEFORE MIXING ANTHEM WITH OTHER REGISTERED PRODUCTS FOR ANY USE ON THIS LABEL, READ THE LABEL OF THE TANK MIX PARTNER TO BE CERTAIN IT IS LABELED FOR THE USE ON THE TARGET CROP AND THAT USE PATTERNS ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THOSE OF ANTHEM. When using ANTHEM in a tank mixture with other pesticides, observe the most restrictive label limitations and precautions for the observe the most restrictive label limitations and precautions for the products being used.

ANTHEM can be used with commonly used clear fluid nitrogen fertilizers (e.g. 28% or 32% UAN). It is recommended that a preliminary compatibility jar test be conducted using appropriate ratios of ANTHEM and fertilizer. Prepare no more spray mixture than is needed for the immediate application. Applying the product immediately after preparation ensures that it is in suspension. If application is delayed, agitation to remix the products and checking for resuspension ensures proper blend-

#### **Compatibility Test**

A jar test is recommended before mixing to ensure ANTHEM compatibility with tank mix partners and adjuvants. The following test assumes a spray volume of 25 gallons per acre. For other spray volumes, make appropriate changes in the ingredient rates.

- 1. Add 1.0 pt. of water to each of 2 one-quart jars. Note: Use the same source of water and the other components in the compatibility test that will actually be tank mixed and applied. It is important that all components are mixed at a temperature similar to the temperature of those used for the actual application.
- 2. To one of the jars, add 1/4 tsp. or 1.2 milliliters of a compatibility agent approved for this use (1/4 tsp. is equivalent to 2 pt/100 gallons spray). Shake or stir gently to mix.
- 3. To both jars, add the appropriate amount of herbicide(s). If more than one herbicide is used, add them separately with dry herbicides first, one nerolcide is used, add them separately with dry nerolcides first, flowables next and emulsifiable concentrates last. Finally, add the appropriate amount of any adjuvants that will be used. After each addition, shake or stir gently to thoroughly mix. (Dry Herbicides and Adjuvants: For each pound to be applied per acre, add 1.4 tsp. to each jar. Liquid Herbicides and Adjuvants: For each pint to be applied per acre, add 0.5 tsp. or 2.5 milliliters to each jar).
- 4. After adding all ingredients for the tank mixture, replace and tighten lids. Shake jars by inverting the mixture and then let stand for 15 to 30 minutes.
- 5. After waiting period, check jars for separation, precipitates, flakes, films on the side, gels or other signs of incompatibility. If mixtures separate but can be remixed, the mixture can be sprayed as long as good agitation is used.
- 6. If the mixtures are incompatible, then try these methods to overcome the problem. A) Make a slurry of dry pesticides in water before adding them to the tank B) Add more compatibility agent or increase the water volume of the mixture.
- 7. If tank mixtures are incompatible, then do not spray the mixture. (Properly dispose of testing jars and any pesticide waste).

#### Spray adjuvants for burndown and post applications

An adjuvant or a product containing an adjuvant approved for use on corn crops may be used with ANTHEM for maximum consistent performance.

#### Adjuvants for ANTHEM:

Use a spray adjuvant from one of these classes for optimum performance for burndown or post applications.

Non-ionic surfactant (NIS) - must have a minimum of 80% of the constituents effective as spray adjuvant at the rate of 1 quart/100 gallons of spray volume (concentration of 0.25%).

Crop Oil Concentrate (COC) or Methylated Seed oil (MSO) - petroleum or vegetable-based oil containing not less than 12% emulsifier. Use 1-2 pts. /A and the concentration should not exceed 2.5% volume/volume. COC/MSO may improve performance under dry conditions and low relative humidity.

Silicone-based surfactant - apply at a rate of 1 qt/100 gallons or a spray volume concentration of 0.25% or as specified on the adjuvant label. In addition to an adjuvant, urea ammonium nitrate (UAN) at 1-2 qts. /A or spray grade ammonium sulfate (AMS) at recommended use rates may also be added to the spray solution.

Adjuvants for ANTHEM in Tank Mixtures with Other Herbicides When tank mixing with other herbicides, use the adjuvant recommended for use with the tank mix partner. Follow all restrictions and precautions on the tank mix partner's label.

#### DRY FERTILIZER APPLICATION

ANTHEM may be impregnated or coated onto dry bulk granular fertilizer carriers for fall and preplant surface and preplant incorporated applications. Follow all ANTHEM label recommendations, instructions and precautions

All individual state regulations relating to dry granular fertilizer blending, registration, labeling and application are the responsibility of the individual and/or company selling the herbicide/ fertilizer mixture.

Select the ANTHEM application rate per acre from this label and determine the quantity of dry bulk fertilizer to be applied per acre (use a minimum of 200 pounds and a maximum of 750 pounds per acre). Use the equation below to determine the amount of ANTHEM needed per ton of fertilizer applied.

### (FI oz of ANTHEM per acre X 2000) / Pounds fertilizer per acre = oz of ANTHEM for 1 ton of fertilizer).

ANTHEM may be impregnated on many commonly used dry fertilizer but do not impregnate on ammonium nitrate, fertilizers containing ammonium nitrate, potassium nitrate, sodium nitrate or powdered lime-

To impregnate ANTHEM on bulk fertilizer, use a closed rotary drum mixer or other commonly used dry bulk fertilizer blender equipped with suitable spray equipment. Mix ANTHEM with sufficient water to form a sprayable slurry mixture. Spray nozzles be directed to provide uniform fertilizer coverage while avoiding spray contact with mixing equipment. Non uniform impregnation can cause crop injury or unsatisfactory performance.

Spray the herbicide mixture onto the fertilizer after blending has started. If necessary, include a suitable drying agent to ensure a spreadable herbicide impregnated fertilizer. Apply treated fertilizer immediately after impregnation to avoid lump formulation and spreading difficulties. Accurate calibration of fertilizer application equipment and uniform fertilizer distribution is essential for satisfactory weed control. Apply the mixture uniformly to the soil with proper equipment immediately after blending and moisture is required for activation.

#### **WEEDS CONTROLLED**

#### 1. ANTHEM Alone

At the rates and timings listed, ANTHEM controls the weeds listed in Table 1 Preemergence when the product is applied alone. ANTHEM only controls certain broadleaf weeds after they emerge in Table 9. Weeds larger than the size indicated in Table 9 may only be partially controlled.

Table 1. Preplant/ Preemergence Weed Control
Common Name Scientific Name

Annual Grasses Controlled			
Barley, little	Hordeum leporium		
Barnyardgrass	Echinochloa crus-galli		
Broadleaf signalgrass	Brachiaria platyphylla		
Bluegrass, annual	Poa annua		
Canarygrass	Phalaris canariensis		
Crabgrass, large	Digitaria sanguinalis		
Crabgrass, smooth	Digitaria ischaemum		
Cupgrass, southwestern	Erichloa glacilis		
Foxtail, giant	Setaria faberi		
Foxtail, green	Setaria viridis		
Foxtail, yellow	Setaria pumila		
Foxtail, bristly	Setaria verticillata		
Goosegrass	Eleusine indica		
Johnsongrass (seedling)	Sorghum halepense		
Panicum, fall	Panicum dichotomiflorum		
Red Rice	Oryza punctata		
Panicum, Texas	Panicum texanum		
Ryegrass, Italian	Lolium multiflorum		
Ryegrass, rigid	Lolium rigidum		
Witchgrass	Panicum capillare		
Annual Grass	es Suppressed		
Brome downy	Bromus tectorum		
Brome, Japanese	Bromus japonicus		
Cheat	Bromus secalinus		
Cupgrass, woolley	Eriochloa villosa		
Millet, wild proso	Panicum miliaceum		
Oat, wild	Avena fatua		
Sandbur, longspine	Cenchrus longispinuss		
Shattercane	Sorghum vulgare		

Table 1 (Con't). Preplant/ Preemergence Weed Control Common Name Scientific Name

Common realis	Odichano Manie		
Annual Broadleaves Controlled			
Amaranth, Palmer	Amaranthus palmeri		
Amaranth, Powell	Amaranthus powellii		
Carpetweed	Mollugo verticillata		
Nightshade, black	Solanum nigrum		
Nightshade, hairy	Solanum physalifolium		
Nightshade, Eastern black	Solanum ptycanthum		
Pigweed, redroot	Amaranthus retroflexus		
Pigweed, smooth	Amaranthus hybridus		
Pigweed, tumble	Amaranthus albus		
Purslane, common	Portulaca oleracea		
Pusley, Florida	Richardia scabra		
Sida, prickly (Teaweed)	Sida spinosa		
Waterhemp, common	Amaranthus rudis		
Waterhemp, tall	Amaranthus tuberculatos		
Annual Broadlea	aves Suppressed		
Buckwheat, wild	Polygonum convolvulus		
Chickweed, common	Stelleria media		
Fleabane, hairy	Conyza bonariensis		
Groundsel, common	Senecio media		
Henbit	Lamium amplexicaule		
Horseweed (marestail)	Conyza canadensis		
Kochia (including triazine and ALS resistant)	Kochia scoparia		
Lambsquarters, common	Chenopodium album		
Jimsonweed	Datura stramonium		
Morningglory, entireleaf	Ipomoea hederacea integriuscula		
Morningglory, ivyleaf	Ipomoea hederacea		
Morningglory, pitted	Ipomoea lacunosa		
Ragweed, common	Ambrosia artemisiifolia		
Spreading orach	Atriplex subspicata		
Velvetleaf	Abutilon threophrasti		
SEDGES			
Nutsedge, yellow	Cyperus esculentus		

Partial control (light gray) or suppression only. ANTHEM should be used in tank mixes and/or sequential applications with other herbicides for best results.

#### **CROP USES**

### Fall Applications for controlling weeds germinating the following spring

ANTHEM may be applied in the fall to control weeds in conventional, minimum tillage, or no-till corn production systems planted the following spring. This fall application program will typically need to be followed with a suitable in-season postemergence herbicide treatment to provide season long control of the complete target weed spectrum. Use only on medium soils at a use rate of 9 to 10 ounces (medium soil). Use only on fine soils at a use rate of 10 to 13 ounces (fine soil) of ANTHEM per acre in corn and 10 to 11.4 ounces (fine soil) of ANTHEM per acre in soybeans.

### Fall Applications for controlling weeds germinating in the fall or winter annual weeds

ANTHEM may be applied in the fall for burndown and residual control. For control of emerged weeds in the fall use combinations with other burndown herbicides like Aim, 2,4-D, dicamba, glyphosate, paraquat or glufosinate. Follow all directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA-approved label for each product in the tank mixture. If a sequential application program (fall application followed by spring application of ANTHEM) is used the maximum combined rate of ANTHEM must not exceed 16.3 fl oz/A (0.274 total lbs of active ingredients/A containing 0.266 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.008 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) for corn and 11.4 fl oz/A (0.192 total lbs of active ingredients/A containing 0.186 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.006 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per use season in soybeans. Do not exceed 2 inch incorporation depth if tilled after application. Use the highest rate within soil type. ANTHEM may be broadcast surface applied in the fall after crop harvest when soil temperatures at the 4-inch depth are sustained at less than 55° F and before the ground freezes to control weeds in minimum or no tillage fields planted the following spring. Fall applications must be made after October 1. Do not apply to frozen or snow covered soil.

#### Preplant, preemergence and early preplant applications

ANTHEM may be applied prior to planting up to crop emergence. Apply ANTHEM alone or in tank mixtures, up to 45 days before planting. See specific crop sections for further directions and use rates. Preplant surface applications are not recommended on coarse soils, in areas where average annual rainfall (or rainfall + irrigation) typically exceeds 40 inches, or for popcorn or sweet corn. Cultivation or a labeled postemergence herbicide application may still be required under certain conditions for complete weed control.

If weeds are present at the time of application, use of additional weed control methods such as tank mixes with an appropriate postemergence herbicide(s) to control emerged weeds and follow all label directions, rates, restrictions, and precautions on the tank mixture partner labeling.

Preplant incorporated (PPI) applications

For PPI applications of ANTHEM incorporate into the upper (1-2") soil surface up to 14 days before planting. Deeper incorporation may increase the potential for crop injury and also may result in reduced weed control. Use appropriate equipment that provides uniform shallow incorporation, such as a field cultivator, harrow, rolling cultivator or fin-

Early Post emergence applications
In corn, apply ANTHEM from crop emergence through V4 stage (visible 4th leaf collar). In soybeans, apply ANTHEM from planting through the third trifoliate (V3) leaf stage. The amount of ANTHEM to apply and the degree of weed control resulting from a ANTHEM application depends upon a variety of factors such as weeds present, stage of growth of the weeds, environmental conditions, growing conditions and soil type.

Under stressful growing conditions (i.e. saturated soils, cold soil temperatures, slow growth, etc) the crop may experience higher risk for temporary crop response. The crop will rapidly outgrow these effects and develop normally with no reduction in yield.

Before applying to corn, verification of ANTHEM selectivity on your inbred line or hybrid line must be confirmed with your local seed company or supplier to avoid injury to sensitive inbreds or hybrids.

Split applications

ANTHEM can be applied in sequential programs, but do not exceed the maximum use rate per cropping season. Do not exceed a maximum of 16.3 fl oz/A (0.274 lb ai/A containing 0.266 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.008 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per use season in corn and on coarse soils do not apply more than a maximum cumulative amount of 6.8 ozs/A of Anthem (containing 0.111 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.0033 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per cropping season in soybeans. On other soybean soils do not apply more than a cumulative amount of 11.4 fl oz/A (0.192 lb ai/A containing 0.186 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.006 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per cropping season in soybeans.. Where weeds are emerged, use appropriate tank mixtures for control of the weed species present. Separate sequential applications by at least 14 days.

#### **ANTHEM in Tank Mixtures**

For enhanced control of emerged weeds use ANTHEM in combination with other labeled burndown herbicide products for that crop like Aim, 2,4-D, dicamba, glyphosate, paraquat, glufosinate and products containing saflufenacil (e.g. Sharpen orVerdict). Saflufenacil may be applied prior to planting at any time in combination with ANTHEM

ANTHEM may be applied pre and post emergence with glufosinate or glyphosate based products, or other pre and postemergence broadleaf herbicides approved for use on corn and soybeans. Tank mixing ANTHEM with other postemergence herbicides may increase the speed of activity and provide control of the weeds listed in Table 9. ANTHEM may be tank-mixed with labeled insecticides for that crop such as Hero, or Mustang Maxx and with labeled fungicides. Some populations of weeds may be tolerant or resistant to glyphosate based herbicides. Applying ANTHEM in a tank-mix with glyphosate on resistant weeds larger than specified in Table 9 may result in unsatisfactory control. Other herbicides in tank-mix with ANTHEM or separately may be required to achieve adequate control of these resistant biotypes. Follow all directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA-approved label for each product in the tank mixture and follow the most restrictive requirements of the products being mixed.

#### RATE SELECTION/SOIL TEXTURE

Unless a specific soil texture is mentioned, rate tables throughout this label refer to Table 2 for soil texture groups: coarse, medium and fine. Table 2 includes a complete listing of soil textures included in each of the soil texture grouping.

Table 2

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COARSE	MEDIUM	FINE
Sand, Loamy sand and Sandy Loam	Loam, Silt loam, Sandy clay loam, and Silt	Sandy clay, Silty clay loam, Silty clay, Clay loam and Clay

### **CORN - CROP SECTION**

**Early Preplant** 

Table 3. ANTHEM application rates for early preplant applications greater than 15-45 days ahead of planting in field corn (grown for grain, seed and silage) sweet corn and popcorn including sweet corn and popcorn grown for seed

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ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)				
Early preplant Coarse Medium F				
15-45 days prior to	6-8 (0.101 <del>-</del> - 0.134)	8 - 10 (0.134 – 0.168)	9 - 13 (0.151 <del></del> 218)	

#### PREPLANT / PREEMEREGNCE APPLICATION RATES

Table 4. ANTHEM application rates for field corn (grown for grain, seed and silage) sweet corn and popcorn including sweet corn and popcorn grown for seed.

ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)			
Organic Matter Coarse Excluding sweet corn at 2.0% O.M. or less.			
Less than 1.0%	5 – 6	5 – 8	6 – 8
	(0.084–0.101)	(0.084–0.134)	(0.101–0.134)
1.0% to 3.0%	5 - 7	6.5 - 9	8 - 10
	(0.084-0.117)	(0.109-0.151)	(0.134-0.168)
Greater than 3.0%	7 - 8	8 - 11	10 - 13
	(0.117-0.134)	(0.134-0.185)	(0.168-0.218)

- · Use rates listed above are for control or suppression of weeds listed in Table 1.
- · For early preplant applications and/or in reduce tillage (i.e. no-till/ high residue) systems or heavy weed pressure use the higher labeled rate by the soil type.
- Corn seed must be planted a minimum of 1.5 inches deep. Shallow planting can lead to increased crop response risk.
- · For fine texture soils with organic matter >3% use up to 13 oz/A.

For control of additional weed species, ANTHEM may be used in combination with other labeled corn herbicides for increase weed control including:

Product	Weed species	
Balance Flexx	Velvetleaf, Kochia, Lambsquarters	
Atrazine	Cocklebur, Giant and Common ragweeds, Kochia (non -tri- azine resistant) Morningglory, Lambsquarters	
Hornet	Cocklebur, Sunflower, Velvetleaf, Lambsquarters	

Under heavy weed pressure, use a sequential post emergence treatment for satisfactory weed control.

#### POST EMERGENCE APPLICATION RATES

Table 5. ANTHEM application rates for field corn (grown for grain, seed and silage), sweet corn and popcorn including sweet corn and popcorn grown for seed.

ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)			
COA			
1% or less organic matter	Greater than 1% organic matter	MEDIUM	FINE
4.0 - 6.0 (0.067 - 0.101)	4.0 – 7.0 (0.067 – 0.117)	5.0 - 9.0 (0.084 - 0.151)	7.0 – 12 (0.117 – 0.202)

- Use rates listed above are for residual control on the weed control list. May only be applied up to the V4 stage.
- For heavy weed densities and longer residual use the higher labeled rate by the soil type
- For fine texture soils with organic matter >3% use up to 13 oz/A.
- For rates below 7 oz/A add up to 0.4 oz/A Cadet for improved postemergence performance. See the appropriate Cadet label for the use rates and use direc-
- For improved performance, Anthem may be tank-mixed with herbicides such as CADET or other appropriate postemergence herbicides. Applications to weeds larger than specified in table 9 can result in unsatisfactory control.

Corn Use Rate Restrictions (Maximum seasonal use rates)

- On coarse textured soils do not apply more than a total of 9 fluid ounces of ANTHEM (containing 0.147 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.0044 lb ai of fluthiacetmethyl) per acre per cropping season.
- On all other soils other than coarse do not apply more than a total of 16.3 fluid ounces of Anthem (containing 0.266 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.008 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per acre per cropping season.

Do not apply more than 0.0089 lb ai/A of fluthiacet methyl or 0.266 lb ai/A of pyroxasulfone per acre in a twelve month cropping year including preplant burndown. ANTHEM may be used prior to or after applications of other pyroxasulfone or fluthiacet methyl containing herbicides. When using ANTHEM in sequential programs, do not exceed the maximum amount of either active ingredient per cropping year for the soil textures as specified above.

#### **SOYBEAN - CROP SECTION: Early Preplant**

Table 6. ANTHEM application rates for early preplant applications greater than 14 days ahead of planting in soybeans.

ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)				
Early preplant Coarse Medium Fine				
15-45 days prior to planting	5 - 6.5 (0.084 - 0.109)	7 - 9.0 (0.117 – 0.151)	9 -11 (0.151 - 0.185)	

### PREPLANT / PREEMEREGNCE APPLICATION RATES Table 7. ANTHEM application rates for soybeans

ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)				
Organic Matter Coarse Medium Fine				
Less than 1.0%	4.0 - 5.0	5.0 - 7.0	7.0 – 9.0	
	(0.067-0.084)	(0.084 - 0.117)	(0.117-0.151)	
1.0% to 3.0%	4 - 6.5	6.5 - 9.5	8.0 - 10.0	
	(0.0.67-0.109)	(0.109-0.160)	(0.134-0.168	
Greater than 3.0%	6.5	7.0 - 9.5	8 – 11	
	(0.109)	(0.117-0.160)	(0.168-0.185)	

- Use rates listed above are for control or suppression of weeds listed in Table 1.
- For early preplant applications and reduced tillage (i.e. no-till/ high residue) systems use the higher labeled rate by the soil type
- Soybean seed must be planted a minimum of 1.0 inches deep. Shallow planting can lead to increased crop injury risk.

For additional control of morningglory, common ragweed, Palmer amaranth and giant ragweed, velvetleaf, sunflower and others, use tank mixes or sequential applications of AUTHORITY herbicides at their labeled use rate. A sequential application of a postemergence herbicide labeled for control of these broadleaf weeds may also be used to increase control during the growing season.

### POSTEMERGENCE APPLICATION RATES Table 8. ANTHEM application rates for soybeans

ANTHEM fl oz/A (total lbs. of active ingredients/A)				
COA	COARSE			
1% or less organic matter	Greater than 1% organic matter	MEDIUM	FINE	
4.0 – 5.0 (0.067-0.084)	4.0 - 6.5 (0.067 - 0.109)	5 – 9 (0.084-0.151)	6.5 – 11 (0.109-0.185)	

- · Rates listed above are for residual control on the weed control list ( Table 1).
- For heavy weed densities, longer residual or resistant weed populations, use the higher labeled rate by the soil type.
- For improved performance, Anthem may be tank-mixed with herbicides such as CADET, MARVEL or other appropriate postemergence herbicides. Applications to weeds larger than specified in table 9 can result in unsatisfactory control.

#### Soybean Use Rate Restrictions

- On coarse soils do not apply more than a maximum cumulative amount of 6.8 ozs/A of ANTHEM (containing 0.111 lb ai of pyroxasulfoneand 0.0033 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per cropping season.
- On other soils other than coarse do not apply more than a maximum cumulative amount of 11.4 ozs/A of ANTHEM (containing 0.186 lb ai of pyroxasulfone and 0.006 lb ai of fluthiacet-methyl) per cropping season.

Do not apply more than 0.0089 lb ai/A of fluthiacet methyl or 0.267 lb ai/A of pyroxasulfone per acre in a twelve month cropping year including preplant burndown. ANTHEM may be used prior to or after applications of other pyroxasulfone or fluthiacet methyl containing herbicides. When using ANTHEM in sequential programs, do not exceed the maximum amount of either active ingredient per cropping year for the soil textures as specified above.

Table 9. Post Broadleaf Weed Control - Maximum Weed Height for ANTHEM Applied Alone with an Adjuvant in corn and soybeans.

	Maximum ht (in)		
Weed Species	*7-9 fl oz/A (0.117-0.151 total lbs. of active ingre- dients/A)	*10-11.0 fl oz/A (0.168-0.185 total lbs. of active ingredients/A)	
Anoda, spurred (Anoda cristata)	2	4	
Burcucumber (Sicyos angulatus)	2	3	
Dayflower, spreading (Commelina diffusa)	2	3	
Jimsonweed (Datura stramonium)	2	2	
Kochia (Kochia scoparia)	2	2	
Lambsquarters, common (Chenopodium album)	2	3	
Morningglory, annual (Ipomea spp.)	2	3	
Nightshade, black (Solanum nigrum)	2*	2	
Nightshade, Eastern black (S. ptycanthum)	2*	2	
Pigweed, redroot (Amaranthus retroflexus)	2*	4	
Pigweed, smooth (A. hybridus)	2*	4	
Pigweed, spiny (A. spinosus)	2*	2	
Russian thistle	2*	2*	
Smartweed, Pennsylvania (Polygonum pennsylvanicum)	2*	2	
Velvetleaf (Abutilon theophrasti)	36	36	
Waterhemp, common (Amaranthus rudis)	2*	2	
Waterhemp, tall (A. tuberculatus)	2*	2	
Wild Buckwheat (Polygonum convolvulus)	2*	2*	

<sup>\*</sup>Partial control or suppression

#### SPRAY DRIFT MANAGEMENT

AVOIDING SPRAY DRIFT AT THE APPLICATION SITE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICATOR AND THE GROWER.

ANTHEM contains a contact protoporphyrinogen oxidase (PPO) inhibitor herbicide. Avoid any drift conditions that would allow the product to contact desirable vegetation. ANTHEM is not volatile, however; mist from spray drift may cause injury to sensitive plants.

The interaction of equipment and weather related factors determine the potential for spray drift. The applicator and the grower are responsible for considering all factors involved in minimizing drift potential.

The following drift management requirements must be followed to avoid off-target movement from applications to agricultural field crops. These requirements do not apply to forestry applications, public health uses or to applications of dry materials.

Where states have more stringent regulations, they must be observed.

#### **INFORMATION ON DROPLET SIZE**

The best drift management strategy is to apply the largest droplets that provide sufficient coverage and control. Use nozzle types arrangements that will provide maximum coverage and minimize the potential for off target movement of spray particles. Droplets size for ground applications must be in the "medium" to "very coarse" size category as defined in the August 1999 ASAE S572 publication entitled, "Spray Nozzle Classification by Drop Spectra". Refer to that publication for additional information. Regardless of droplet size, if applications are made improperly or under unfavorable environmental conditions off target movement will occur. (see Wind, Temperature and Humidity, and Temperature Inversion sections in this label).

#### **Controlling Spray Droplet Size**

VMD (Volume median diameter) – VMD is the expression of the droplet size of the spray cloud. The VMD value means that 50% of the droplets are larger than the expressed value and 50% of the droplets are smaller than the expressed value. Optimum ANTHEM spray clouds should be 450 microns with fewer than 10% of the droplets being 200 microns or less.

**Volume -** Use high flow rate nozzles that produce medium to ultra coarse droplets to apply the highest practical spray volume.

**Pressure** - Use the lower spray pressures recommended for the nozzle and do not exceed the manufacture's recommended pressure. Higher pressure reduces droplet size and does not improve canopy penetration. When higher flow rates are needed, use higher flow rate nozzles instead of increasing pressure.

**Number of Nozzles -** Use the minimum number of nozzles that provide uniform coverage.

**Nozzle Orientation –** Orienting nozzles so that the spray is released backwards parallel to the air-stream will produce larger droplets than other orientations. Significant deflection from horizontal will reduce droplet size and increase drift potential.

**Nozzle Type -** Use a nozzle type that is designed for the intended application. Do not use nozzles that produce fine or very fine spray droplets (e.g. cone).

**Ground Boom Application Height-** Applications should not be made at a height greater than 4 feet above the top of the largest plants. Making applications at the lowest possible height reduces exposure of droplets to evaporation and wind.

<sup>\*</sup>Do not exceed the maximum available use rate for that particular crop. See crop rate restrictions in each section.

**Aerial Application Height -** Applications should be made at a height of 10 ft or less above the crop canopy unless aircraft safety is compromised. Applicators must follow the most restrictive use cautions to avoid drift hazards, including those on this label as well as state and local regulations

**Swath Adjustment** - When applications are made with cross wind, the swath will be displaced downwind. Therefore, on the up and downwind edges of the field, the applicator must compensate for this displacement by adjusting the path upwind. Swath adjustment distance should increase with increasing drift potential (higher wind, smaller drops, etc).

**Wind** - Variable wind speeds with changing directions may pose the largest potential for drift damage if crops other than rice are adjacent to the field to be sprayed. Drift potential is lowest between wind speeds of 2 to 10 mph. However, many factors, including droplet size and equipment type determine drift potential at any given speed. Applications must be avoided if wind speed is below 2 mph due to variable wind direction and high inversion potential. **NOTE:** Local terrain can influence wind patterns. Every applicator should be familiar with local wind patterns and how they affect spray drift.

Temperature and Humidity - When making applications in low relative humidity set up equipment to produce larger droplets to compensate for evaporation, but they still should remain within the medium droplet size category. Droplet evaporation is most severe when conditions are both hot and dry.

Temperature Inversions - Do not spray at times when spray particles may be entrained into a temperature inversion layer. If inversion conditions are suspected, consult with local weather services before making an application. Applications must not occur during temperature inversion, because drift potential is high. Temperature inversions restrict vertical air mixing, which causes small suspended droplets to remain in a concentrated cloud. This cloud can move in unpredictable directions due to the light variable winds common during inversions. Temperature inversions are characterized by increasing temperatures with altitude and are common on nights with limited cloud cover and light to no wind. They begin to form as the sun sets and often continue into the following morning. Their presence can be indicated by ground fog. However, if fog is not present, inversions can also be identified by the movement of smoke from a ground source or an aircraft smoke generator. Smoke that layers and moves laterally in a concentrated cloud (under low wind conditions) indicates an inversion, while smoke that moves upward and rapidly dissipates indicates good vertical air mixing.

Sensitive Areas – ANTHEM must only be applied when the potential for drift to adjacent sensitive areas (e.g. residential areas, bodies of water, known habitats for threatened or endangered species and non-target crops) is minimal.(e.g. when wind is blowing away from the sensitive areas).

#### CLEANING SPRAY EQUIPMENT

Many pesticides are very active at low rates, especially to sensitive crops. Residues left in mixing equipment, spray tanks, hoses, spray booms and nozzles can cause crop effects if they are not properly cleaned. As soon as possible after spraying ANTHEM and before using the sprayer equipment for any other applications, the sprayer equipment must be thoroughly cleaned using the following procedure. In addition, users must take appropriate steps to ensure proper equipment clean-out for any other products mixed with ANTHEM as required on the other product labels. More complete cleaning can be achieved if the spray system is cleaned immediately following the application.

- 1. Drain sprayer tank, hoses, spray boom and spray nozzles. Use a high-pressure detergent wash to remove physical sediment and residues from the inside of the sprayer tank and thoroughly rinse. Then, thoroughly flush sprayer hoses, spray boom and spray nozzles with a clean water rinse. Remove and clean spray tips and all filters and screens (tank, spray hose and spray tips) separately in the ammonia solution of Step 2.
- 2. Next, prepare a sprayer cleaning solution by adding three gallons of ammonia (containing at least 3% active) per 100 gallons of clean water. Prepare sufficient cleaning solution to allow the operation of the spray system for a minimum of 15 minutes to thoroughly flush hoses, spray boom and spray nozzles.
- 3. Convenient and thorough cleaning of the sprayer can be achieved if the ammonia solution or fresh water is left in the spray tank, hoses, spray booms and spray nozzles overnight or during storage.
- 4. Before using the sprayer, completely drain the sprayer system. Rinse the tank with clean water and flush through the hoses, spray boom, and spray nozzles with clean water.
- 5. Properly dispose of all cleaning solution and rinsate in accordance with Federal, State, and local regulations and guidelines.

Do not apply sprayer cleaning solutions or rinsate to sensitive crops.

Do not store the sprayer for any extended period of time with ANTHEM spray solution remaining in the tank, spray lines, spray boom plumbing, spray nozzles or strainers.

If the sprayer has been stored or idle, purge the spray boom and nozzles with clean water before beginning any application.

Should small quantities of ANTHEM remain in inadequately cleaned mixing, loading and/or spray equipment, they may be released during subsequent applications potentially causing effects to certain crops and

other vegetation. FMC accepts no liability for any effects due to inadequately cleaned equipment.

When ANTHEM has been tank mixed refer to the label of the product used previously or tank mixed with ANTHEM for cleaning instructions.

#### REPLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

If corn or soybeans treated with ANTHEM is lost due to a natural catastrophe such as hail or frost, corn or soybeans can be replanted immediately, provided this is not restricted on the label of a product used previously or by a product applied in a tank mixture with ANTHEM.

#### ROTATIONAL CROPS

	ANTHEM Use Rate (oz/A)						
Стор	3.25 Both crops	6.5 Both crops	9.75 Both crops	11.4 Soybeans only	13 Corn only		
		Rotational Crop Interval (months after application)					
Alfalfa	10	10	10	10	10		
Canola	12	12	15	15	18		
Corn	0	0	0	0	0		
Cotton	4	4	4	4	4		
Edible Peas, succulent edible beans, and other Edible Dry Beans	11	11	11	11	11		
Grain Sorghum	6	6	10	10	12		
Grasses grown for seed	18	18	18	18	18		
Lentils	6	6	6	8	8		
Peanut	4	4	4	4	4		
Peas, field (dry)	4	6	6	8	8		
Potato	4	4	4	4	4		
Rice	10	12	18	24	24		
Small grains (other than wheat)	11	11	11	18	18		
Soybean	0	0	0	4	4		
Sugarbeet	12	12	15	15	15		
Sunflower	4	4	4	4	4		
Wheat	4	4	4	6	6		
Other crops	18	18	18	18	18		

NOTE: For rotational crop restrictions when ANTHEM is used in tank mixtures or sequentially with other products, refer to the rotation intervals on the other product label for possible additional restrictions.

#### LABEL TRACKING INFORMATION

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