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15 February 2024

The Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC
Member of the Legislative Council
Parliament House
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Dear Ms Centofanti

Determination under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* which was received by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) on 5 January 2024, seeking access to the following:

"A copy of all correspondence and meeting documents including but not limited to hard copy or electronic briefings, minutes, emails, letters, meeting agendas, and any other correspondence to and from the Department for Primary Industries and Regional Development regarding Naturalure or Spinosad and bee death investigation between 05/01/2023 and 05/01/2024"

Timeframe: 5/01/2023 to 5/01/2024

Pursuant to Section 14A of the Freedom of Information Act, the legislative timeframe in which to provide a determination was extended until 15 February 2024.

Accordingly, the following determination has been finalised.

I have located fifteen documents that are captured within the scope of your request.

Determination 1

I have determined that access to the following document is **granted in full**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
1	Email from Murray Pioneer to PIRSA:Media dated 26/10/2023 re media request	1
6	Certificate of Analysis – Honey Bee - dated 16/10/2023	9
13	Certificate of Analysis – Honey Bee - dated 13/10/2023	9

Determination 2

I have determined that access to the following documents is **granted in part**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
2	Emails between Murray Pioneer, PIRSA:Media, Office of the Minister, Department of the Premier and Cabinet dated 26/10/2023 re media request	3
3	Email thread between ABC Riverland, PIRSA:Media dated 11/10/2023 re bee poisoning	3
4	Email thread between ABC Riverland, PIRSA:Media dated 11/10/2023 re bee poisoning	4
5	Email to PIRSA dated 7/10/2023 re biosecurity for bee keepers	1
7	Emails to PIRSA dated 9/11/2023 re bee poisoning	2
8	Email to PIRSA dated 26/9/2023 re suspected hive baiting	1
9	Email to PIRSA dated 27/9/2023 re bee poisoning	1
10	Email to PIRSA dated 28/9/2023 re bee poisoning	1
11	Email to PIRSA dated 5/10/2023 re bee poisoning	1
12	Email to PIRSA and between PIRSA officers dated 13/11/2023 re bee poisoning	2
14	Text messages to PIRSA dated 26/9/2023 and 17/10/2023 re poisoning of hives	2
15	Email to PIRSA dated 9/11/2023 and response dated 10/11/2023 re bee poisoning	2

The information removed from the above documents is pursuant to Clause 6(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

“6 - Documents affecting personal affairs

(1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).”

The information removed consists of the following:

Document 2:

- Mobile telephone number of Departmental officer

Documents 3 and 4:

- Mobile telephone numbers of Departmental officer
- Mobile telephone numbers of third party

Document 5:

- Mobile telephone number and private email address of member of the public
- Identifying property location information of a member of the public

Documents 7 and 9:

- Names of third parties and identifying information
- Mobile telephone numbers of third parties

Documents 8, 10 and 14:

- Names of a third parties and identifying information

Document 11:

- Name of identifying information

Documents 12 and 15:

- Mobile telephone number of Departmental officer
- Names of third parties and identifying information

The mobile telephone numbers of Departmental officers are considered exempt as a mobile telephone number allows a person, including an officer of an agency, to be contacted outside of business hours and, as this information that is not ordinarily available to the public, it is taken to concern the personal affairs of an individual.

The names of members of the public, their mobile telephone numbers and other identifying information is considered to concern the personal affairs of those individuals.

Accordingly, it is considered that disclosure of this information would be an unreasonable intrusion into the privacy rights of the individuals concerned.

The remaining information removed from Document 5 is outside of the scope of your request.

if you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your right of review and appeal as outlined in the attached documentation [Making a Freedom of Information Application | State Records of South Australia \(archives.sa.gov.au\)](#), by completing the "FOI Application Form for Internal Review of a Determination" and returning the completed form to:

Freedom of Information Principal Officer
Department of Primary Industries and Regions
GPO Box 1671
ADELAIDE SA 5001

or via email PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published in PIRSA's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at http://dpc.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf

If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing within fourteen calendar days from the date of this determination.

Should you require further information or clarification with respect to this matter, please contact Ms Lisa Farley, Senior Freedom of Information Advisor on 8429 0422 or email PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Michelle Griffiths

Accredited Freedom of Information Officer
DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONS

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Alexandra bull <alexandra.bull@murraypioneer.com.au>
Sent: Thursday, 26 October 2023 3:43 PM
To: PIRSA:Media
Subject: Media Request The Murray Pioneer

Good afternoon,

Ally from The Murray Pioneer here – hope you are doing well.

We are doing a follow up story on bee deaths in the Riverland, as another Riverland apiarist, Ian Cass, contacted The Murray Pioneer, about the death of his bees, which he believes PIRSA is responsible for.

I would like to ask the following questions:

An inconclusive toxicology report was returned on Mr Cass' bees, why is this?

Will PIRSA officials continue to investigate the death of Mr Cass' bees? Why/why not?

What measures are PIRSA taking to ensure bees are not getting caught in the fruit fly cross fire?

If PIRSA fruit fry sprayers are not the people responsible for the accidental bee deaths in the Riverland, who would you suggest is?

Anything else to add?

Ideally I would like to have some responses back by Monday 5.30pm, so we can get something for this paper.

Kind regards,

Alexandra Bull

Journalist

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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Certificate Number	B1402885 [R00]	Page	1/9
Client	Primary Industries & Regions SA - Biosecurity	Registering Laboratory	Brisbane
Primary Contact	Michael Stedman	Contact	Customer Service Team
Address	33 Flemington Street Glenside SA 5065	Address	52 Brandl Street, Eight Mile Plains, QLD 4113
Telephone	08 8207 7987	Email	admin@symbiolabs.com.au
Order Number	---	Telephone	1300 703 166
Job Description	Honey Bee	Date Samples Received	12/10/2023
Client Job Reference	---	Date Analysis Commenced	12/10/2023
No. of Samples Registered	1 Sampler: Customer	Issue Date	16/10/2023
Priority	Normal	Receipt Temperature (°C)	9
		Storage Temperature (°C)	25

This report supersedes any previous revision with this reference. This document must not be reproduced, except in full. If samples were provided by the customer, results apply only to the samples 'as received' and responsibility for representative sampling rests with the customer. Sample preparation was conducted in accordance with Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code (MRL Standard) Instrument 2019, Table 2, unless otherwise indicated in the 'Report Comments' section. Measurement Uncertainty is available upon request. If the laboratory was authorised to conduct testing on samples received outside of the specified conditions, all test results may be impacted. Details of samples received outside of the specified conditions are mentioned in the sample description section of this test report.

Definitions

| <: Less Than | >: Greater Than | ---: Not Received/Not Requested | NA: Not Applicable | ND: Not Detected | [NT]: Not Tested | CL: Confidence Level | NL: No MRL Listed | MF: Mixed Food | LOR: Limit of Reporting | TBA: To Be Advised |
| ^ Subcontracted Analysis | * Test not covered by NATA scope of accreditation | # The result is derived from a calculation incorporating the residue definition of chemicals defined in the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code (MRL Standard) Instrument 2019. Results equal to or exceeding the LOR are included in the calculation. | IH: Inconsistent results possibly caused by sample homogeneity |

Authorised By

Name	Position	Accreditation Category
Jaimee-lee Hesse	Residue Laboratory Manager, Brisbane	Environmental and Food Chemistry

General Comments

A result of "<LOR" indicates no chemical on the 'Method Analyte List' was detected at a concentration equal to or exceeding the stated LOR.

If a chemical is detected at a concentration equal to or exceeding the stated LOR, it will be detailed in the 'Analytical Result Summary.' All other chemicals included in the 'Method Analyte List' were not detected at or exceeding the listed LOR. MRL information is only provided in the event of a chemical detection exceeding the LOR on a single commodity.

MRL information is not provided for mixed foods. Further information regarding mixed food MRL's can be obtained from Food Standards Code, part 1.4.2 – AgVet Chemical.

In accordance with the Queensland Chemical Usage (Agricultural and Veterinary) Control Act 1988, the laboratory must discharge its lawful obligations in accordance with Division 4, Section 15 & 15A and notify the standards officer of any potential MRL exceedances.

Disclaimer: All reasonable measures have been taken to ensure the MRL information provided is accurate and current. No liability is accepted by Symbio Laboratories for any occurrence arising from the adoption of any of the information.

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Analytical Test Results

Sample ID	Sample Description - <i>Client/Sampler Supplied</i>	Matrix	Compound/Analyte	LOR	Units	Result	MRL
CR006C - Multi-residue Screen in General Foods and Plant Products							
B1402885/1	Pinsa - CCP	Honey Bee	All Compounds	---	---	<LOR	---

Analysis Location

All in-house analysis was completed by Symbio Laboratories - Brisbane.

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<u>Carbamates</u>			<u>Carbamates - Continued</u>			<u>Fungicides - Continued</u>		
Aldicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Thiodicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Dichlofluanid	mg/kg	0.05
Aldicarb sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Counterirritant</u>			Dichloran	mg/kg	0.1
Aldicarb sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Safrole	mg/kg	0.05	Difenoconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Aldicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Fungicides</u>			Dimethomorph	mg/kg	0.01
Bendiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	2,4,6-Trichloroanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Dithianon	mg/kg	0.01
Carbaryl	mg/kg	0.01	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	mg/kg	0.01	Dodine	mg/kg	0.01
Carbofuran	mg/kg	0.01	2-Aminobenzimidazole	mg/kg	0.01	Epoxiconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Carbofuran 3-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	2-Phenylphenol	mg/kg	0.01	Etridiazole	mg/kg	0.05
Carbofuran Total	mg/kg	0.01	Azaconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Fenarimol	mg/kg	0.05
Carboxin	mg/kg	0.01	Azoxystrobin	mg/kg	0.01	Fenbuconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpropham	mg/kg	0.05	Benalaxyl	mg/kg	0.01	Fenhexamid	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoxycarb	mg/kg	0.01	Bitertanol	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropidin	mg/kg	0.01
Furathiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Boscalid	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropimorph	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Bupirimate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpyrazamine	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Captafol	mg/kg	0.01	Fluazinam	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Captan	mg/kg	0.2	Fludioxonil	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Carbendazim	mg/kg	0.01	Fluopicolide	mg/kg	0.01
Methomyl	mg/kg	0.01	Carbendazim Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fluopyram	mg/kg	0.01
Methomyl Oxime	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorothalonil	mg/kg	0.05	Fluquinconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorothalonil 4-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	Flusilazole	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb desmethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Cyazofamid	mg/kg	0.01	Flutriafol	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb desmethyl formamido	mg/kg	0.01	Cyflufenamid	mg/kg	0.01	Fluxapyroxad	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Cyproconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Folpet	mg/kg	0.05
Thiodicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Cyprodinil	mg/kg	0.01	Hexaconazole	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Imazalil	mg/kg	0.01	Propiconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Trifloxystrobin	mg/kg	0.01
Ipconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Proquinazid	mg/kg	0.01	Triforine	mg/kg	0.01
Iprodione	mg/kg	0.2	Prothioconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Triticonazole	mg/kg	0.01
Isoprothiolane	mg/kg	0.01	Prothioconazole desthio	mg/kg	0.01	Vinclozolin	mg/kg	0.01
Kresoxim methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Prothioconazole Total	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Herbicides</u>		
Mandestrobin	mg/kg	0.01	Pydiflumetofen	mg/kg	0.05	2,4-D	mg/kg	0.01
Mandipropamid	mg/kg	0.01	Pyraclostrobin	mg/kg	0.01	2,4-DB	mg/kg	0.05
Mefentrifluconazole	mg/kg	0.05	Pyrimethanil	mg/kg	0.01	3,4-Dichloroaniline	mg/kg	0.05
Metalaxyl	mg/kg	0.01	Pyriofenone	mg/kg	0.01	Acetochlor	mg/kg	0.01
Metrafenone	mg/kg	0.01	Quinoxifen	mg/kg	0.01	Acifluorfen	mg/kg	0.01
Myclobutanil	mg/kg	0.01	Quintozene	mg/kg	0.05	Alachlor	mg/kg	0.01
Oxadixyl	mg/kg	0.01	Quintozene Total	mg/kg	0.05	Ametryn	mg/kg	0.01
Oxathiapiprolin	mg/kg	0.01	Sedaxane	mg/kg	0.01	Ametryn Total	mg/kg	0.01
Oxycarboxin	mg/kg	0.01	Spiroxamine	mg/kg	0.01	Aminopyralid	mg/kg	0.05
Penconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Tebuconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine	mg/kg	0.01
Pencycuron	mg/kg	0.01	Tecnazene	mg/kg	0.05	Atrazine desethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachloroaniline	mg/kg	0.05	Tetraconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine desisopropyl	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachloroanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Thiabendazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine Total	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachlorothioanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Thiophanate methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Bentazone	mg/kg	0.01
Penthiopyrad	mg/kg	0.01	Tolyfluanid	mg/kg	0.01	Bromacil	mg/kg	0.01
Prochloraz	mg/kg	0.01	Triadimefon	mg/kg	0.01	Bromoxynil	mg/kg	0.01
Prochloraz Total	mg/kg	0.01	Triadimefon Total	mg/kg	0.01	Butoxydim	mg/kg	0.01
Procymidone	mg/kg	0.05	Triadimenol	mg/kg	0.01	Carfentrazone ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Propamocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Tridemorph	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorsulfuron	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Chlorthal dimethyl	mg/kg	0.05	Flumetsulam	mg/kg	0.01	Metribuzin	mg/kg	0.01
Clethodim	mg/kg	0.01	Fluometuron	mg/kg	0.01	Metsulfuron methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Clodinafop (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01	Fluroxypyr	mg/kg	0.05	Molinate	mg/kg	0.01
Clodinafop propargyl	mg/kg	0.01	Haloxypop	mg/kg	0.01	N-Isopropylaniline	mg/kg	0.01
Clomazone	mg/kg	0.01	Haloxypop methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Napropamide	mg/kg	0.01
Copryalid	mg/kg	0.1	Haloxypop Total	mg/kg	0.01	Norflurazon	mg/kg	0.01
Cyanazine	mg/kg	0.01	Hexazinone	mg/kg	0.01	Oryzalin	mg/kg	0.01
Dalapon (2,2-DPA)	mg/kg	0.05	Imazamox	mg/kg	0.01	Oxadiazon	mg/kg	0.01
Dicamba	mg/kg	0.05	Imazapic	mg/kg	0.01	Oxyfluorfen	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlobenil	mg/kg	0.1	Imazapyr	mg/kg	0.01	Pendimethalin	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlorprop methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Imazaquin	mg/kg	0.01	Picloram	mg/kg	0.05
Dichlorprop-P	mg/kg	0.01	Imazethapyr	mg/kg	0.01	Prometryn	mg/kg	0.01
Diflufenican	mg/kg	0.01	Iodosulfuron methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Propachlor	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethenamid	mg/kg	0.01	Ioxynil	mg/kg	0.01	Propachlor Total	mg/kg	0.01
Dinoseb	mg/kg	0.01	Isoproturon	mg/kg	0.01	Propaquizafop	mg/kg	0.01
Diuron	mg/kg	0.01	Isoxaben	mg/kg	0.01	Propazine	mg/kg	0.01
Diuron Total	mg/kg	0.01	Linuron	mg/kg	0.01	Propyzamide	mg/kg	0.01
Ethofumesate	mg/kg	0.01	Linuron Total	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoprop	mg/kg	0.01	MCPA	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoxaprop ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	MCPB	mg/kg	0.02	Quizalofop methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Flamprop-M methyl	mg/kg	0.05	MCPP (Mecoprop)	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop-P tefuryl	mg/kg	0.01
Fluazifop-P (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01	Methabenzthiazuron	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil	mg/kg	0.05
Fluazifop-P butyl	mg/kg	0.01	Metolachlor	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil Total	mg/kg	0.05
Fluazifop-p-butyl Total	mg/kg	0.01	Metosulam	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil-metabolite (M800H11)	mg/kg	0.05

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Saflufenacil-metabolite (M800H35)	mg/kg	0.05	Chlorfenapyr	mg/kg	0.05	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNA-AM)	mg/kg	0.01
Sethoxydim	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorfluazuron	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNG)	mg/kg	0.01
Simazine	mg/kg	0.01	Clofentezine	mg/kg	0.01	Fluazuron	mg/kg	0.01
Tebuthiuron	mg/kg	0.01	Clothianidin	mg/kg	0.05	Flubendiamide	mg/kg	0.01
Terbuthylazine	mg/kg	0.01	Cyantraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Flucythrinate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05
Terbuthylazine 2-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	Cyflumetofen	mg/kg	0.05	Flupyradifurone	mg/kg	0.01
Terbuthylazine desethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Emamectin	mg/kg	0.01	Fonofos	mg/kg	0.01
Terbutryn	mg/kg	0.01	Etoazole	mg/kg	0.01	Formothion	mg/kg	0.01
Tralkoxydim	mg/kg	0.01	Fenbutatin oxide	mg/kg	0.01	Hexythiazox	mg/kg	0.01
Triallate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropathrin	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid	mg/kg	0.01
Triasulfuron	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpyroximate	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid 5-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01
Triclopyr	mg/kg	0.01	Fensulfothion	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid olefin	mg/kg	0.01
Trifloxysulfuron	mg/kg	0.05	Fensulfothion oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid Total	mg/kg	0.01
Trifluralin	mg/kg	0.05	Fensulfothion oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Indoxacarb	mg/kg	0.01
<u>Insecticides/Acaricides</u>			Fensulfothion sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Mecarbam	mg/kg	0.01
6-Chloronicotinic acid	mg/kg	0.01	Fensulfothion Total	mg/kg	0.01	Metaldehyde	mg/kg	0.05
Abamectin	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil	mg/kg	0.01	Methoprene	mg/kg	0.05
Afidopyropen	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil desulfinyl	mg/kg	0.01	Methoxychlor	mg/kg	0.05
Bifenazate	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil sulfide	mg/kg	0.01	Methoxyfenozide	mg/kg	0.01
Bifenazate diazene	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Mirex	mg/kg	0.05
Bifenazate Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil Total	mg/kg	0.01	Novaluron	mg/kg	0.01
Bromopropylate	mg/kg	0.05	Flonicamid	mg/kg	0.01	Oxamyl	mg/kg	0.05
Buprofezin	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid Total	mg/kg	0.01	Paraoxon	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorantraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNA)	mg/kg	0.01	Paraoxon methyl	mg/kg	0.01

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Phosalone	mg/kg	0.01	Tetradifon	mg/kg	0.05	DDT-o,p	mg/kg	0.05
Phosphamidon	mg/kg	0.01	Tetramethrin	mg/kg	0.01	DDT-p,p	mg/kg	0.05
Propargite	mg/kg	0.01	Tetraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol Total	mg/kg	0.1
Propoxur	mg/kg	0.01	Thiacloprid	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol-o,p	mg/kg	0.1
Pymetrozine	mg/kg	0.01	Thiamethoxam	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol-p,p	mg/kg	0.1
Pyrethrum (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	Triazophos	mg/kg	0.01	Dieldrin	mg/kg	0.05
Pyrethrum Total	mg/kg	0.01	Vamidothion	mg/kg	0.01	Endosulfan sulfate	mg/kg	0.05
Pyridaben	mg/kg	0.01	Vamidothion-sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Endosulfan Total	mg/kg	0.05
Pyriproxyfen	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Nematicide</u>			Endosulfan-alpha	mg/kg	0.05
Quinalphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fluensulfone	mg/kg	0.05	Endosulfan-beta	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram J	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Organochlorines</u>			Endrin	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram L	mg/kg	0.01	Aldrin	mg/kg	0.05	Endrin ketone	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram Total	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-alpha	mg/kg	0.05	Endrin Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosad Total	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-beta	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosyn A	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-delta	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor epoxide	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosyn D	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-gamma (Lindane)	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane Total	mg/kg	0.05	Hexachlorobenzene	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat Total	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane-cis	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat-metabolite BYI088030-cis-enol	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane-trans	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor-cis	mg/kg	0.05
Sulfoxaflor	mg/kg	0.01	DDD-o,p	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor-trans	mg/kg	0.05
Tebufenozide	mg/kg	0.01	DDD-p,p	mg/kg	0.05	Oxychlordane	mg/kg	0.05
Tebufenpyrad	mg/kg	0.01	DDE-o,p	mg/kg	0.05	Pentachlorophenol	mg/kg	0.01
Tethraniliprole	mg/kg	0.05	DDE-p,p	mg/kg	0.05	<u>Organophosphates</u>		
			DDT Total	mg/kg	0.05	Acephate	mg/kg	0.01

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CR006C - Multi-residue Screen in Dry Leafy - <i>Continued</i>			CR006C - Multi-residue Screen in Dry Leafy - <i>Continued</i>			CR006C - Multi-residue Screen in Dry Leafy - <i>Continued</i>		
<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Azamethiphos	mg/kg	0.01	Disulfoton Total	mg/kg	0.01	Methidathion	mg/kg	0.01
Azinphos ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Ethion	mg/kg	0.01	Mevinphos	mg/kg	0.01
Azinphos methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Ethoprophos	mg/kg	0.01	Monocrotophos	mg/kg	0.01
Bromophos ethyl	mg/kg	0.05	Etrimfos	mg/kg	0.01	Omethoate	mg/kg	0.01
Bromophos methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Fenamiphos	mg/kg	0.01	Parathion	mg/kg	0.1
Cadusafos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenamiphos sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Parathion methyl	mg/kg	0.05
Carbophenothion	mg/kg	0.05	Fenamiphos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate	mg/kg	0.05
Chlorfenvinphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenamiphos Total	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate oxon	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpyrifos	mg/kg	0.05	Fenchlorphos	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpyrifos methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Fenchlorphos oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01
Coumaphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenchlorphos Total	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate sulfone	mg/kg	0.01
Coumaphos oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Fenitrothion	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate Total	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet oxon	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet Total	mg/kg	0.01
Diazinon	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Phoxim	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlorvos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Pirimiphos ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethoate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Pirimiphos methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethoate Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion Total	mg/kg	0.05	Pirimiphos methyl-N-desethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dioxathion	mg/kg	0.05	Malaoxon	mg/kg	0.01	Profenofos	mg/kg	0.01
Disulfoton	mg/kg	0.01	Malathion	mg/kg	0.01	Prothiofos	mg/kg	0.05
Disulfoton sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Methacrifos	mg/kg	0.01	S 421	mg/kg	0.05
Disulfoton sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Methamidophos	mg/kg	0.01	Temephos	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>				<u>Plant growth regulator - <i>Continued</i></u>			
Temephos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		Uniconazole-P	mg/kg	0.01	
Temephos Total	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Rodenticide</u>			
Terbufos	mg/kg	0.01		Brodifacoum	mg/kg	0.01	
Terbufos oxon	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Scald Inhibitors</u>			
Terbufos oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01		Diphenylamine	mg/kg	0.1	
Terbufos oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Synthetic cytokinin</u>			
Terbufos sulfone	mg/kg	0.01		6-Benzylaminopurine	mg/kg	0.01	
Terbufos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Synthetic Pyrethroids</u>			
Terbufos Total	mg/kg	0.01		Bifenthrin	mg/kg	0.01	
Tetrachlorvinphos	mg/kg	0.01		Bioresmethrin	mg/kg	0.01	
Tolclofos methyl	mg/kg	0.01		Cyfluthrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05	
Trichlorfon	mg/kg	0.01		Cyhalothrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
<u>Other Pesticides</u>				Cypermethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Acetamiprid	mg/kg	0.01		Deltamethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Amitraz-Metabolite (BTS 27271)	mg/kg	0.01		Fenvalerate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Diafenthiuron Total	mg/kg	1		Permethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05	
Diafenthiuron urea	mg/kg	0.01		Phenothrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Diflubenzuron	mg/kg	0.01		Tau-Fluvalinate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Paclobutrazol	mg/kg	0.01					
Piperonyl butoxide	mg/kg	0.01					
Triflumuron	mg/kg	0.01					
<u>PAHs</u>							
Benzo[a]pyrene	mg/kg	0.05					
<u>Plant growth regulator</u>							
Maleic Hydrazide	mg/kg	0.5					



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Job Description	Honey Bee	Date Samples Received	10/10/2023
Client Job Reference	---	Date Analysis Commenced	10/10/2023
No. of Samples Registered	1 Sampler: Customer	Issue Date	13/10/2023
Priority	Normal	Receipt Temperature (°C)	22
		Storage Temperature (°C)	25

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Definitions

| <: Less Than | >: Greater Than | ---: Not Received/Not Requested | NA: Not Applicable | ND: Not Detected | [NT]: Not Tested | CL: Confidence Level | NL: No MRL Listed | MF: Mixed Food | LOR: Limit of Reporting | TBA: To Be Advised |
| ^ Subcontracted Analysis | * Test not covered by NATA scope of accreditation | # The result is derived from a calculation incorporating the residue definition of chemicals defined in the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code (MRL Standard) Instrument 2019. Results equal to or exceeding the LOR are included in the calculation. | IH: Inconsistent results possibly caused by sample homogeneity |

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General Comments

A result of "<LOR" indicates no chemical on the 'Method Analyte List' was detected at a concentration equal to or exceeding the stated LOR.

If a chemical is detected at a concentration equal to or exceeding the stated LOR, it will be detailed in the 'Analytical Result Summary.' All other chemicals included in the 'Method Analyte List' were not detected at or exceeding the listed LOR. MRL information is only provided in the event of a chemical detection exceeding the LOR on a single commodity.

MRL information is not provided for mixed foods. Further information regarding mixed food MRL's can be obtained from Food Standards Code, part 1.4.2 – AgVet Chemical.

In accordance with the Queensland Chemical Usage (Agricultural and Veterinary) Control Act 1988, the laboratory must discharge its lawful obligations in accordance with Division 4, Section 15 & 15A and notify the standards officer of any potential MRL exceedances.

Disclaimer: All reasonable measures have been taken to ensure the MRL information provided is accurate and current. No liability is accepted by Symbio Laboratories for any occurrence arising from the adoption of any of the information.

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Analytical Test Results

Sample ID	Sample Description - <i>Client/Sampler Supplied</i>	Matrix	Compound/Analyte	LOR	Units	Result	MRL
CR006C - Multi-residue Screen in General Foods and Plant Products							
B1400507/1	Honey bees labelled PIRSA - RCJ	Honey Bee	Fipronil sulfone	0.01	mg/kg	0.024	NA
B1400507/1	Honey bees labelled PIRSA - RCJ	Honey Bee	Fipronil Total	0.01	mg/kg	0.023	NA

Analysis Location

All in-house analysis was completed by Symbio Laboratories - Brisbane.

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<u>Carbamates</u>			<u>Carbamates - Continued</u>			<u>Fungicides - Continued</u>		
Aldicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Thiodicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Dichlofluanid	mg/kg	0.05
Aldicarb sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Counterirritant</u>			Dichloran	mg/kg	0.1
Aldicarb sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Safrole	mg/kg	0.05	Difenoconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Aldicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Fungicides</u>			Dimethomorph	mg/kg	0.01
Bendiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	2,4,6-Trichloroanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Dithianon	mg/kg	0.01
Carbaryl	mg/kg	0.01	2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	mg/kg	0.01	Dodine	mg/kg	0.01
Carbofuran	mg/kg	0.01	2-Aminobenzimidazole	mg/kg	0.01	Epoxiconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Carbofuran 3-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	2-Phenylphenol	mg/kg	0.01	Etridiazole	mg/kg	0.05
Carbofuran Total	mg/kg	0.01	Azaconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Fenarimol	mg/kg	0.05
Carboxin	mg/kg	0.01	Azoxystrobin	mg/kg	0.01	Fenbuconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpropham	mg/kg	0.05	Benalaxyl	mg/kg	0.01	Fenhexamid	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoxycarb	mg/kg	0.01	Bitertanol	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropidin	mg/kg	0.01
Furathiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Boscalid	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropimorph	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Bupirimate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpyrazamine	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Captafol	mg/kg	0.01	Fluazinam	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Captan	mg/kg	0.2	Fludioxonil	mg/kg	0.01
Methiocarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Carbendazim	mg/kg	0.01	Fluopicolide	mg/kg	0.01
Methomyl	mg/kg	0.01	Carbendazim Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fluopyram	mg/kg	0.01
Methomyl Oxime	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorothalonil	mg/kg	0.05	Fluquinconazole	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorothalonil 4-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	Flusilazole	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb desmethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Cyazofamid	mg/kg	0.01	Flutriafol	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb desmethyl formamido	mg/kg	0.01	Cyflufenamid	mg/kg	0.01	Fluxapyroxad	mg/kg	0.01
Pirimicarb Total	mg/kg	0.01	Cyproconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Folpet	mg/kg	0.05
Thiodicarb	mg/kg	0.01	Cyprodinil	mg/kg	0.01	Hexaconazole	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Fungicides - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Imazalil	mg/kg	0.01	Propiconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Trifloxystrobin	mg/kg	0.01
Ipconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Proquinazid	mg/kg	0.01	Triforine	mg/kg	0.01
Iprodione	mg/kg	0.2	Prothioconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Triticonazole	mg/kg	0.01
Isoprothiolane	mg/kg	0.01	Prothioconazole desthio	mg/kg	0.01	Vinclozolin	mg/kg	0.01
Kresoxim methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Prothioconazole Total	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Herbicides</u>		
Mandestrobin	mg/kg	0.01	Pydiflumetofen	mg/kg	0.05	2,4-D	mg/kg	0.01
Mandipropamid	mg/kg	0.01	Pyraclostrobin	mg/kg	0.01	2,4-DB	mg/kg	0.05
Mefentrifluconazole	mg/kg	0.05	Pyrimethanil	mg/kg	0.01	3,4-Dichloroaniline	mg/kg	0.05
Metalaxyl	mg/kg	0.01	Pyriofenone	mg/kg	0.01	Acetochlor	mg/kg	0.01
Metrafenone	mg/kg	0.01	Quinoxifen	mg/kg	0.01	Acifluorfen	mg/kg	0.01
Myclobutanil	mg/kg	0.01	Quintozene	mg/kg	0.05	Alachlor	mg/kg	0.01
Oxadixyl	mg/kg	0.01	Quintozene Total	mg/kg	0.05	Ametryn	mg/kg	0.01
Oxathiapiprolin	mg/kg	0.01	Sedaxane	mg/kg	0.01	Ametryn Total	mg/kg	0.01
Oxycarboxin	mg/kg	0.01	Spiroxamine	mg/kg	0.01	Aminopyralid	mg/kg	0.05
Penconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Tebuconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine	mg/kg	0.01
Pencycuron	mg/kg	0.01	Tecnazene	mg/kg	0.05	Atrazine desethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachloroaniline	mg/kg	0.05	Tetraconazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine desisopropyl	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachloroanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Thiabendazole	mg/kg	0.01	Atrazine Total	mg/kg	0.01
Pentachlorothioanisole	mg/kg	0.05	Thiophanate methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Bentazone	mg/kg	0.01
Penthiopyrad	mg/kg	0.01	Tolyfluanid	mg/kg	0.01	Bromacil	mg/kg	0.01
Prochloraz	mg/kg	0.01	Triadimefon	mg/kg	0.01	Bromoxynil	mg/kg	0.01
Prochloraz Total	mg/kg	0.01	Triadimefon Total	mg/kg	0.01	Butoxydim	mg/kg	0.01
Procymidone	mg/kg	0.05	Triadimenol	mg/kg	0.01	Carfentrazone ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Propamocarb	mg/kg	0.01	Tridemorph	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorsulfuron	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Chlorthal dimethyl	mg/kg	0.05	Flumetsulam	mg/kg	0.01	Metribuzin	mg/kg	0.01
Clethodim	mg/kg	0.01	Fluometuron	mg/kg	0.01	Metsulfuron methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Clodinafop (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01	Fluroxypyr	mg/kg	0.05	Molinate	mg/kg	0.01
Clodinafop propargyl	mg/kg	0.01	Haloxypop	mg/kg	0.01	N-Isopropylaniline	mg/kg	0.01
Clomazone	mg/kg	0.01	Haloxypop methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Napropamide	mg/kg	0.01
Copryalid	mg/kg	0.1	Haloxypop Total	mg/kg	0.01	Norflurazon	mg/kg	0.01
Cyanazine	mg/kg	0.01	Hexazinone	mg/kg	0.01	Oryzalin	mg/kg	0.01
Dalapon (2,2-DPA)	mg/kg	0.05	Imazamox	mg/kg	0.01	Oxadiazon	mg/kg	0.01
Dicamba	mg/kg	0.05	Imazapic	mg/kg	0.01	Oxyfluorfen	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlobenil	mg/kg	0.1	Imazapyr	mg/kg	0.01	Pendimethalin	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlorprop methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Imazaquin	mg/kg	0.01	Picloram	mg/kg	0.05
Dichlorprop-P	mg/kg	0.01	Imazethapyr	mg/kg	0.01	Prometryn	mg/kg	0.01
Diflufenican	mg/kg	0.01	Iodosulfuron methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Propachlor	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethenamid	mg/kg	0.01	Ioxynil	mg/kg	0.01	Propachlor Total	mg/kg	0.01
Dinoseb	mg/kg	0.01	Isoproturon	mg/kg	0.01	Propaquizafop	mg/kg	0.01
Diuron	mg/kg	0.01	Isoxaben	mg/kg	0.01	Propazine	mg/kg	0.01
Diuron Total	mg/kg	0.01	Linuron	mg/kg	0.01	Propyzamide	mg/kg	0.01
Ethofumesate	mg/kg	0.01	Linuron Total	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoprop	mg/kg	0.01	MCPA	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Fenoxaprop ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	MCPB	mg/kg	0.02	Quizalofop methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Flamprop-M methyl	mg/kg	0.05	MCPP (Mecoprop)	mg/kg	0.01	Quizalofop-P tefuryl	mg/kg	0.01
Fluazifop-P (free acid)	mg/kg	0.01	Methabenzthiazuron	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil	mg/kg	0.05
Fluazifop-P butyl	mg/kg	0.01	Metolachlor	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil Total	mg/kg	0.05
Fluazifop-p-butyl Total	mg/kg	0.01	Metosulam	mg/kg	0.01	Saflufenacil-metabolite (M800H11)	mg/kg	0.05

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<u>Herbicides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Insecticides/Acaricides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Insecticides/Acaricides - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Saflufenacil-metabolite (M800H35)	mg/kg	0.05	Chlorfenapyr	mg/kg	0.05	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNA-AM)	mg/kg	0.01
Sethoxydim	mg/kg	0.01	Chlorfluazuron	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNG)	mg/kg	0.01
Simazine	mg/kg	0.01	Clofentazine	mg/kg	0.01	Fluazuron	mg/kg	0.01
Tebuthiuron	mg/kg	0.01	Clothianidin	mg/kg	0.05	Flubendiamide	mg/kg	0.01
Terbuthylazine	mg/kg	0.01	Cyantraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Flucythrinate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05
Terbuthylazine 2-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01	Cyflumetofen	mg/kg	0.05	Flupyradifurone	mg/kg	0.01
Terbuthylazine desethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Emamectin	mg/kg	0.01	Fonofos	mg/kg	0.01
Terbutryn	mg/kg	0.01	Etoazole	mg/kg	0.01	Formothion	mg/kg	0.01
Tralkoxydim	mg/kg	0.01	Fenbutatin oxide	mg/kg	0.01	Hexythiazox	mg/kg	0.01
Triallate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpropathrin	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid	mg/kg	0.01
Triasulfuron	mg/kg	0.01	Fenpyroximate	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid 5-hydroxy	mg/kg	0.01
Triclopyr	mg/kg	0.01	Fensulfothion	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid olefin	mg/kg	0.01
Trifloxysulfuron	mg/kg	0.05	Fensulfothion oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Imidacloprid Total	mg/kg	0.01
Trifluralin	mg/kg	0.05	Fensulfothion oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Indoxacarb	mg/kg	0.01
<u>Insecticides/Acaricides</u>			Fensulfothion sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Mecarbam	mg/kg	0.01
6-Chloronicotinic acid	mg/kg	0.01	Fensulfothion Total	mg/kg	0.01	Metaldehyde	mg/kg	0.05
Abamectin	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil	mg/kg	0.01	Methoprene	mg/kg	0.05
Afidopyropen	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil desulfinyl	mg/kg	0.01	Methoxychlor	mg/kg	0.05
Bifenazate	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil sulfide	mg/kg	0.01	Methoxyfenozide	mg/kg	0.01
Bifenazate diazene	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Mirex	mg/kg	0.05
Bifenazate Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fipronil Total	mg/kg	0.01	Novaluron	mg/kg	0.01
Bromopropylate	mg/kg	0.05	Flonicamid	mg/kg	0.01	Oxamyl	mg/kg	0.05
Buprofezin	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid Total	mg/kg	0.01	Paraoxon	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorantraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Flonicamid-metabolite (TFNA)	mg/kg	0.01	Paraoxon methyl	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Insecticides/Acaricides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Insecticides/Acaricides - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Organochlorines - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Phosalone	mg/kg	0.01	Tetradifon	mg/kg	0.05	DDT-o,p	mg/kg	0.05
Phosphamidon	mg/kg	0.01	Tetramethrin	mg/kg	0.01	DDT-p,p	mg/kg	0.05
Propargite	mg/kg	0.01	Tetraniliprole	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol Total	mg/kg	0.1
Propoxur	mg/kg	0.01	Thiacloprid	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol-o,p	mg/kg	0.1
Pymetrozine	mg/kg	0.01	Thiamethoxam	mg/kg	0.01	Dicofol-p,p	mg/kg	0.1
Pyrethrum (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	Triazophos	mg/kg	0.01	Dieldrin	mg/kg	0.05
Pyrethrum Total	mg/kg	0.01	Vamidothion	mg/kg	0.01	Endosulfan sulfate	mg/kg	0.05
Pyridaben	mg/kg	0.01	Vamidothion-sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Endosulfan Total	mg/kg	0.05
Pyriproxyfen	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Nematicide</u>			Endosulfan-alpha	mg/kg	0.05
Quinalphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fluensulfone	mg/kg	0.05	Endosulfan-beta	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram J	mg/kg	0.01	<u>Organochlorines</u>			Endrin	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram L	mg/kg	0.01	Aldrin	mg/kg	0.05	Endrin ketone	mg/kg	0.05
Spinetoram Total	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-alpha	mg/kg	0.05	Endrin Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosad Total	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-beta	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosyn A	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-delta	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor epoxide	mg/kg	0.05
Spinosyn D	mg/kg	0.01	BHC-gamma (Lindane)	mg/kg	0.05	Heptachlor Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane Total	mg/kg	0.05	Hexachlorobenzene	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat Total	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane-cis	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor Total	mg/kg	0.05
Spirotetramat-metabolite BYI088030-cis-enol	mg/kg	0.01	Chlordane-trans	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor-cis	mg/kg	0.05
Sulfoxaflor	mg/kg	0.01	DDD-o,p	mg/kg	0.05	Nonachlor-trans	mg/kg	0.05
Tebufenozide	mg/kg	0.01	DDD-p,p	mg/kg	0.05	Oxychlordane	mg/kg	0.05
Tebufenpyrad	mg/kg	0.01	DDE-o,p	mg/kg	0.05	Pentachlorophenol	mg/kg	0.01
Tethraniliprole	mg/kg	0.05	DDE-p,p	mg/kg	0.05	<u>Organophosphates</u>		
			DDT Total	mg/kg	0.05	Acephate	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>			<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>		
Azamethiphos	mg/kg	0.01	Disulfoton Total	mg/kg	0.01	Methidathion	mg/kg	0.01
Azinphos ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Ethion	mg/kg	0.01	Mevinphos	mg/kg	0.01
Azinphos methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Ethoprophos	mg/kg	0.01	Monocrotophos	mg/kg	0.01
Bromophos ethyl	mg/kg	0.05	Etrimfos	mg/kg	0.01	Omethoate	mg/kg	0.01
Bromophos methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Fenamiphos	mg/kg	0.01	Parathion	mg/kg	0.1
Cadusafos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenamiphos sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Parathion methyl	mg/kg	0.05
Carbophenothion	mg/kg	0.05	Fenamiphos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate	mg/kg	0.05
Chlorfenvinphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenamiphos Total	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate oxon	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpyrifos	mg/kg	0.05	Fenchlorphos	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01
Chlorpyrifos methyl	mg/kg	0.05	Fenchlorphos oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Phorate oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01
Coumaphos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenchlorphos Total	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate sulfone	mg/kg	0.01
Coumaphos oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Fenitrothion	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion	mg/kg	0.05	Phorate Total	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S methyl	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion ethyl	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet oxon	mg/kg	0.01
Demeton-S sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Phosmet Total	mg/kg	0.01
Diazinon	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Phoxim	mg/kg	0.01
Dichlorvos	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Pirimiphos ethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethoate	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Pirimiphos methyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dimethoate Total	mg/kg	0.01	Fenthion Total	mg/kg	0.05	Pirimiphos methyl-N-desethyl	mg/kg	0.01
Dioxathion	mg/kg	0.05	Malaoxon	mg/kg	0.01	Profenofos	mg/kg	0.01
Disulfoton	mg/kg	0.01	Malathion	mg/kg	0.01	Prothiofos	mg/kg	0.05
Disulfoton sulfone	mg/kg	0.01	Methacrifos	mg/kg	0.01	S 421	mg/kg	0.05
Disulfoton sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01	Methamidophos	mg/kg	0.01	Temephos	mg/kg	0.01

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<u>Organophosphates - <i>Continued</i></u>				<u>Plant growth regulator - <i>Continued</i></u>			
Temephos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		Uniconazole-P	mg/kg	0.01	
Temephos Total	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Rodenticide</u>			
Terbufos	mg/kg	0.01		Brodifacoum	mg/kg	0.01	
Terbufos oxon	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Scald Inhibitors</u>			
Terbufos oxon sulfone	mg/kg	0.01		Diphenylamine	mg/kg	0.1	
Terbufos oxon sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Synthetic cytokinin</u>			
Terbufos sulfone	mg/kg	0.01		6-Benzylaminopurine	mg/kg	0.01	
Terbufos sulfoxide	mg/kg	0.01		<u>Synthetic Pyrethroids</u>			
Terbufos Total	mg/kg	0.01		Bifenthrin	mg/kg	0.01	
Tetrachlorvinphos	mg/kg	0.01		Bioresmethrin	mg/kg	0.01	
Tolclofos methyl	mg/kg	0.01		Cyfluthrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05	
Trichlorfon	mg/kg	0.01		Cyhalothrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
<u>Other Pesticides</u>				Cypermethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Acetamiprid	mg/kg	0.01		Deltamethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Amitraz-Metabolite (BTS 27271)	mg/kg	0.01		Fenvalerate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Diafenthiuron Total	mg/kg	1		Permethrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.05	
Diafenthiuron urea	mg/kg	0.01		Phenothrin (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Diflubenzuron	mg/kg	0.01		Tau-Fluvalinate (sum of isomers)	mg/kg	0.01	
Paclobutrazol	mg/kg	0.01					
Piperonyl butoxide	mg/kg	0.01					
Triflumuron	mg/kg	0.01					
<u>PAHs</u>							
Benzo[a]pyrene	mg/kg	0.05					
<u>Plant growth regulator</u>							
Maleic Hydrazide	mg/kg	0.5					

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From: PIRSA:Media
Sent: Thursday, 26 October 2023 3:47 PM
To: Spencer, Meagan (PIRSA); Maios, Theodora (DPC)
Cc: PIRSA:Media
Subject: FW: Media Request The Murray Pioneer

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Hi Meagan, Theodora

FYI – we have received the below enquiry, will work up a response and send through.

It's in reference to the below story.

Thanks

Bee death mystery continues

ALEXANDRA BULL

A LOXTON apiarist who found thousands of his bees dead in July has received an inconclusive response on the toxicology report conducted by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) recently.

Ian Cass, who was keeping his bees on a property at Gurra, said he lost 12 full hives when PIRSA was spraying around where his bees were being kept.

"My mate, who owns the property, saw PIRSA spraying only just about 100m away from the bees and it was a very windy day, with the wind blowing straight towards the hives," he said.

"My mate told them there are bee hives there and that they can't spray there.

"You always get some dead bees but, in this case, there were literally double handfuls of bees in front of the hives, and a lot of them" he said.

"Personally, I have lost approximately \$5000 worth of hives and almond pollination payments. That ignores the loss of honey production because it has taken me three months to get my hives back from the weakened condition caused by the spray drift," he said.

Mr Cass then had a sample of his dead bees sent off to PIRSA at the beginning of September.

Last Friday he received an inconclusive result.

"It came back inconclusive because PIRSA thinks it had been too long to determine what killed them," he said.

"When the PIRSA guy went to have a look at the bees he said 'what happened here is definitely not natural, there's bees everywhere.

"They (PIRSA) can't prove what killed my bees, even though they were seen spraying only 100m away with a strong wind blowing towards my hives."



• Ian Cass

I have lost approximately \$5000 worth of hives and almond pollination payments...

- Ian Cass

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Subject: Media Request The Murray Pioneer

Good afternoon,

Ally from The Murray Pioneer here – hope you are doing well.

We are doing a follow up story on bee deaths in the Riverland, as another Riverland apiarist, Ian Cass, contacted The Murray Pioneer, about the death of his bees, which he believes PIRSA is responsible for.

I would like to ask the following questions:

An inconclusive toxicology report was returned on Mr Cass' bees, why is this?

Will PIRSA officials continue to investigate the death of Mr Cass' bees? Why/why not?

What measures are PIRSA taking to ensure bees are not getting caught in the fruit fly cross fire?

If PIRSA fruit fly sprayers are not the people responsible for the accidental bee deaths in the Riverland, who would you suggest is?

Anything else to add?

Ideally I would like to have some responses back by Monday 5.30pm, so we can get something for this paper.

Kind regards,

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From: Eliza Berlage <Berlage.Eliza@abc.net.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 11 October 2023 1:36 PM
To: PIRSA:Media
Subject: Re: Statement sought on bee poisoning

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Thanks yes can wait for this afternoon.
 Will run audio and your statement tomorrow morning.

Will wait until results are back to do an online story.

**Eliza Berlage****Reporter, Rural**

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To: Eliza Berlage <Berlage.Eliza@abc.net.au>; PIRSA:Media <PIRSA.Media@sa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Statement sought on bee poisoning

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Hi Eliza,
 Thanks for the update... can you hold on a statement/comment until I get back to you with official comment? I will have something to you this afternoon but I am seeking some clarification on a couple of things.
 Thanks,
 Fontella

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To: PIRSA:Media <PIRSA.Media@sa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Statement sought on bee poisoning

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Hi Fontella,

Thanks for the call just now.

So we will run the audio interview with Rob Johnstone for the rural report and news tomorrow morning but with a statement from PIRSA.

Would something like this work?

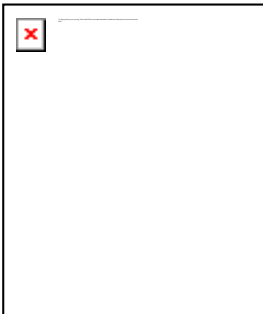
The ABC understands that the South Australian Primary Industries Department will have the results of a toxicology result later this week.

A PIRSA spokesperson says Naturalure, the fruit fly bait concentrate, is low risk in toxicity to users and other animals.

Please add any amendments as needed.

Best,

Eliza.



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Subject: RE: Statement sought on bee poisoning

OFFICIAL

Hi Eliza,

Just tried to call you back. Got your message and chasing up for you. But wanted to discuss deadline as I am awaiting on some information in relation to this issue that might not be ready until late tomorrow/Friday (I am trying to get timeframe myself).

Can you call me back when free?

Thanks,

Fontella

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 October 2023 12:49 PM

To: PIRSA:Media <PIRSA.Media@sa.gov.au>

Subject: Statement sought on bee poisoning

Hi Fontella and media team,

I've spoken with Paringa beekeeper Rob Johnstone about having his bee hives poisoned. He says he's getting a toxicology report done by PIRSA but he thinks the bees may have been adversely affected by fruit fly spray.

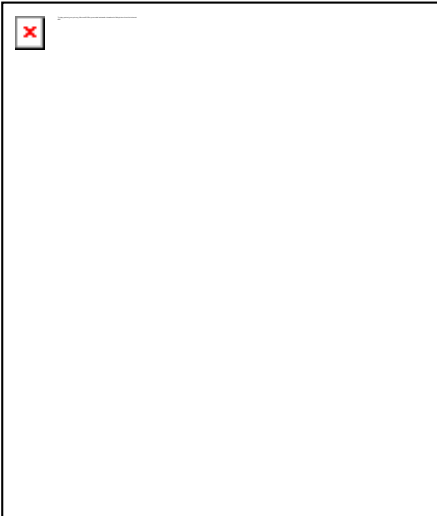
We are planning to run the story tomorrow morning.

I am hoping to get a statement or interview from PIRSA addressing the following:

- that Mr Johnstone is getting support for a toxicology report
- The safety of fruit fly chemicals for other animals, including bees

Best,

Eliza.



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Would you be able to comment now or later in the week on why the advice between states seems to be different?

Paul Dowsett in his interview said:

In the residential areas, we're using organic based and that bait is been deemed suitable for use, and it doesn't harm pets, or it doesn't harm humans doesn't hurt other animals. So when we're applying it into people's backyards, people can be very assured that the baits that we are applying is safe because it's an organic bait and it's really not harmful to animals or humans.

What are the different baits used by PIRSA – in residential, and non-residential areas?



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I have noticed in the Naturalure product in from the department of WA that it says Naturalure can be toxic to bees and should be applied away from beehives where possible....

[Naturalure fact sheet, 8 August 2023 \(agric.wa.gov.au\)](https://agric.wa.gov.au)



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So we will run the audio interview with Rob Johnstone for the rural report and news tomorrow morning but with a statement from PIRSA.

Would something like this work?

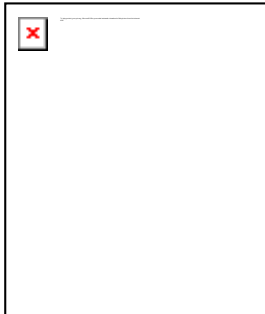
The ABC understands that the South Australian Primary Industries Department will have the results of a toxicology result later this week.

A PIRSA spokesperson says Naturalure, the fruit fly bait concentrate, is low risk in toxicity to users and other animals.

Please add any amendments as needed.

Best,

Eliza.



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To: Eliza Berlage <Berlage.Eliza@abc.net.au>
Cc: PIRSA:Media <PIRSA.Media@sa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Statement sought on bee poisoning

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Hi Eliza,

Just tried to call you back. Got your message and chasing up for you. But wanted to discuss deadline as I am awaiting on some information in relation to this issue that might not be ready until late tomorrow/Friday (I am trying to get timeframe myself).

Can you call me back when free?

Thanks,

Fontella

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 October 2023 12:49 PM

To: PIRSA:Media <PIRSA.Media@sa.gov.au>

Subject: Statement sought on bee poisoning

Hi Fontella and media team,

I've spoken with Paringa beekeeper Rob Johnstone about having his bee hives poisoned. He says he's getting a toxicology report done by PIRSA but he thinks the bees may have been adversely affected by fruit fly spray.

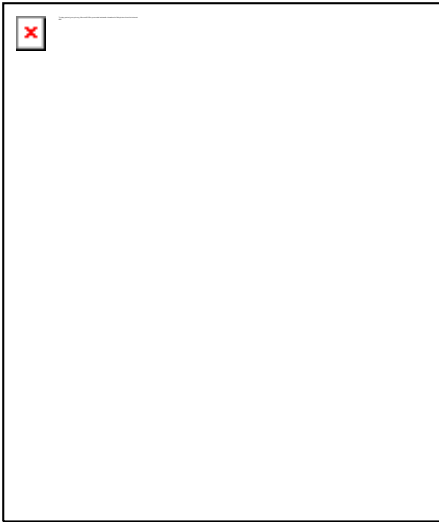
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I am hoping to get a statement or interview from PIRSA addressing the following:

- that Mr Johnstone is getting support for a toxicology report
- The safety of fruit fly chemicals for other animals, including bees

Best,

Eliza.



Eliza Berlage

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Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Ian Cass Clause 6(1)
Sent: Saturday, 7 October 2023 5:46 PM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: Biosecurity for bee keepers

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Hi Michael,

Out of Scope

I was wondering if you have any results from the tests of the dead bees from Clause 6(1) from the PIRSA Fruit Fly spraying.

Today, I was talking to my mate who lives there and He told me that PIRSA Fruit Fly People seem to be concentrating on that area but are keeping clear of my bees which is fantastic.

Many Thanks

Ian

Ian Cass

Clause 6(1)

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Robert Johnstone Clause 6(1)
Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2023 9:56 AM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: Re: Bee Poisoning

Hi Ally my next step if I do not receive a satisfactory reply is to contact the Minister and from there the ombudsman if need be.

From: Robert Johnstone
Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2023 9:53 AM
To: michael.stedman@sa.gov.au <michael.stedman@sa.gov.au>
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I await your reply

Regards
Robbie.J

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Robert Johnstone [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 26 Septe
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: suspected hive baiting

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Hi Michael,

Picked up both live and dead bees. There are very few dead bees in the hives. Bees are still dying in affected hives. It appears as though the bees crawl out of the hive before dying.

I visited hives and Nucs last Tuesday the 19th of September 2023. All were healthy. They are situated between [redacted].

I visited hives yesterday 25th of September 2023 and 7 hives and 4 nucs were visibly in distress with dead and dying bees out front of hives and Nucs.

[redacted] owner of the property on which my hives and Nucs are situated reported that she had seen PIRSA operators spraying in the area close to my hives some days after my initial visit to hives on the 19th of September.

Regards

Robbie.J

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Robert Johnstone [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, 27 September 2023 3:34 PM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: bee Poisoning

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Hi Michael,

Address of property where bees were poisoned is [redacted]. [redacted] and her husband own the property. [redacted] has given me permission to give you her number. Mob. [redacted] They saw Pirsas staff spraying near my hives. I spoke with [redacted] today and she said Pirsas staff did not contact her that they were spraying vines along her boundary. In fact they have never spoken to her. Today I checked and there is no flowering vegetation in the vines near my hives although bees are still dying singly.

Regards

Robbie.J

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Robert Johnstone Clause 6(1)
Sent: Thursday, 28 September 2023 9:26 PM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: bee poisoning

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Hi Michael,

Ben visited site with me today. I opened several of the hives and noted eggs so I believe some of the queens may still be alive.

One hive still had enough numbers to be defensive but because there are bees still dying I believe it is only a matter of time before they totally collapse. Another hive would not have had 2000 bees in it.

It appears that the stronger the hive the greater the loss. A thing I do not understand is that very few bees have died in the hive. They appear to make it to the outside of the hive before dying. Today there were still a few bees staggering around outside.

Fipronil causes bees to die in the hives and the one case of Lorsban I witnessed did the same. The poison involved here is something different.

Also Ben and I looked at Grape vine strainer posts near the hives and we could not see any sign of Naturalure on the posts.

Also Clause 6(1) a friend of mine and a small almond grower told me some trees on his property a year or so ago were sprayed with Naturalure close to his hives and did not affect his hives.

Also the vines that Clause 6(1) saw the Pirsia staff spraying are virtually bare earth with no flowering vegetation.

There is a Clause 6(1) within 600 metres of my hives which are in bloom and Clause 6(1) garden nearby but I have no evidence that suggests that those blocks were sprayed with anything.

All in all it is a mystery so far as to what happened to my hives.

What do you suggest I do with these hives. I believe the honey in the supers will be contaminated. I can hot water wash the boxes and I can scrape the frames clean as they all have plastic foundation. I can warm them up to make removal of wax and honey easier. Any other ideas.?

Regards

Robbie.J

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Robert Johnstone Clause 6(1)
Sent: Thursday, 5 October 2023 6:24 AM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: Bee Poisoning

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Hi Michael,

Inspected poisoned hives yesterday . 3 were totally slimed out by hive beetle. They were plastic hives out in the open and we have had hot humid weather and it shocked me how many thousand maggotts were in the supers and brood boxes . There were only a handfull of bees left so I rescued them as they still had queens. Took photos of the infestation.

The other 4 hives were in the shade and fared much better although I only expect one hive to survive as bees are still slowly dying.

Spoke with a large block owner up Clause 6(1) and he informed me that he believed Plrsa used other poisons that Naturalure in certain situations.

I am meeting with ben tomorrow and will see what he has to say about that.

Regards

Robbie.J

Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Sent: Monday, 13 November 2023 10:27 AM
To: Mcmanus, Michael (PIRSA)
Subject: FW: Bee Poisoning

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From: Robert Johnstone [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 13 November 2023 10:26 AM
To: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA) <michael.stedman@sa.gov.au>
Subject: Bee Poisoning

Hi Michael,

Thanks for the reply. I hope this investigation is not taken personally by you as I have known you a long time and found you to be of value to me . (Around 2005 when I attended a meeting near the [REDACTED] when the Riverland had its first cases of Chalkbrood.)

However here we go again . If Fipronil killed my hives how come it did not stop hive beetle maggots from sliming my hives after they were poisoned.. I am still reeling from that event. It is a warning to keep hives strong especially during the warmer months.

On another front I have spoken to [REDACTED] . He has 90 hives [REDACTED] from where my 12 hives are . I used to have 20 hives at [REDACTED] but reduced to 12 because of lack of forage .Much of the plant life there is salt affected .

I doubt very much that the area will support 90 hives but that is [REDACTED] problem.

The impact [REDACTED] hives had on my hives is that they reduced numbers and did not fill half frames of cut comb honey recently. I cannot leave as I am in a [REDACTED] which have just been planted in exchange for [REDACTED] and In January [REDACTED] site. As soon as the [REDACTED] are pollinated I am out of there never to return.LOL.

On another note how did AFB enter KI.

Unfortunately Bio Security is non existent in Australia. For instance I attended in 2014 the Senate enquiry at Murray Bridge. I wrote in my statement that we needed to search ships with containers prior to leaving

Port to come to Australia ^{Clause 6(1)} [REDACTED] agreed. What did they do . Used sentinel hives knowing full well no Country had ever eliminated Varroa once it was on their shores.

Regards
Robbie.J

Texts from Robert Johnson

26 September 2023 06:42

Hi Michael have sent you an email outlining what information I have regarding poisoning of hives at
Clause 6(1) road regards Robbie.J

17 October 2023 08:28



Clause 6(1) .only has 2 hivesonly one affected

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Hi Michael P I really claimed on ABC this morning they do not use Fipronil. Who did toxicology report. Also do you have any samples left that I sent to yo so I can have a private assessment done regards Robbie.J

17 October 2023 08:46

Hi Michael this complaint by me is about the indiscriminate use of fipronil by people. Three of us myself ^{Clause 6(1)} in the past 3 years have had hives killed or damaged by a person on ^{Clause 6(1)} who uses Fiprinol to kill swarms in sheds and trees ^{Clause 6(1)} lost 8 hives when this person baited a swarm in a sýhed while ^{Clause 6(1)} had hives on his block during citrus 3 years ago.

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Buxton, Cristina (PIRSA)

From: Stedman, Michael (PIRSA)
Sent: Friday, 10 November 2023 4:08 PM
To: Robert Johnstone
Subject: RE: Bee Poisoning

Hi Robert, thank you for your email of 9 November. I have forwarded it to Michael McManus, Manager - Biosecurity Investigations and Operations for a response. To address your questions properly will likely take one-two weeks.

Let me know if you have any other questions,

Regards,

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