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TO: Board Members

FROM: Lebelle Hicks PhD DABT

RE: Active Ingredients for Approval for Use in the 50 to 250 Foot Area from the Mean High Tide

Mark, in Accordance with Chapter 29 Section 5 for Control of Browntail Moths

## **Background**

In 2006, the Board's Environmental Risk Advisory Committee reviewed insecticides for aquatic toxicity to marine invertebrates. The relative aquatic risks for marine and freshwater invertebrates were evaluated for insecticides currently registered for:

- foliar applications to hardwood,
- use on landscape ornamental trees, and
- demonstrated efficacy for Browntail moth caterpillar control

Since 2006, new chemistries with known browntail moth efficacy have become available including, neonicotinoids and spinosad. Other active ingredients with potential efficacy are also available such as azadirachtin, several Bt strains, chlorantraniliprole, cyantraniliprole, indoxacarb, methoxyfenozide and tebufenozide. These latter compounds may be evaluated for relative risks when specific efficacy on browntail moth is available.

## **December 2016 Review**

The methodology for the relative risk determination is similar to that used by the ERAC in 2006. The most sensitive marine invertebrate toxicity endpoint (acute LC50) was chosen and an Estimated Environmental Concentration (EEC) based on use rates from the product label were determined. EECs for a worst case scenario, of a spill of 100 gallons of use mix into a 1 acre body of water with depths of ½ foot (shallow), 6 feet (deep) and 23 feet deep (this is the average depth of inner Casco bay according to Gustafsson 1998) were determined.

The ratios (modified risk quotients (modRQ), based on the worst case scenario) of the EEC to the LC50 were calculated and the resulting relative risks were analyzed. Active ingredients and their relative risk quotients are presented in Tables 1 and 2, with a risk quotient of 500 used to segregate the active ingredients.



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Table 1. Invertebrate Modified Risk Quotients less than 500 for Aquatic Invertebrates, for Acute Worst Case Scenarios of 100 gallons of use mix spilled into a ½ foot deep, 1 Acre body of Water

Compound	Invertebrate Modified Risk Quotients		Status in 2006 Devices
	Marine	Freshwater	Status in 2006 Review
Acetamiprid	11	36	Not registered for this use
Bifenthrin	4	28	Not registered for this use
Clothianidin	6	14	Not registered for this use
Deltamethrin	54	2	Not evaluated
Diflubenzuron	125	31	Approved by the Board
Dinotefuran	1	0	Not registered for this use
Fluvalinate	278	16	Approved by the Board
Imidacloprid	5	3	Not registered for this use
Permethrin	306	833	Approved by the Board
Spinosad	1	0	Not registered for this use

Table 2. Invertebrate Modified Risk Quotients Greater than 500 for Aquatic Invertebrates, for Acute Worst Case Scenarios of 100 gallons of use mix spilled into a ½ foot deep, 1 Acre body of Water

Compound	Invertebrate Modified Risk Quotients		Status in 2006 Review
	Marine	Freshwater	Status III 2000 Review
Acephate	no data	454	Not evaluated
Carbaryl	1,326	4,447	Not approved by Board in 2006
Cyfluthrin	967	93	Approved by the Board, new Marine toxicity data in 2010; 2016
Cyhalothrin	1,220	62,500	Not evaluated
Malathion	8,591	192,857	Not evaluated