SECTION – 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier: HELIX® Liquid Seed Treatment
Formulation No.: A12608B

Registration Number: 26637 (Pest Control Products Act)
Chemical Classes: A mixture of three fungicides and one insecticide; a triazole fungicide, a substituted benzodioxalcarbonitrile fungicide, a phenylamide fungicide and a neonicotinoid insecticide.

Active Ingredient (%): Difenoconazole [CGA169374] (1.24 %)
Chemical Name: 1-[2-[2-chloro-4-(4-chlorophenoxy)phenyl]-4-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethyl]-1H-1,2,4-triazole
Chemical Class: Triazole fungicide.

Active Ingredient (%): Fludioxonil [CGA173506] (0.13 %)
Chemical Name: 4-(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile.
Chemical Class: Substituted benzodioxalcarbonitrile fungicide.

Active Ingredient (%): Metalaxyl-M (and S isomer) [CGA329351] (0.39 %)
{Metalaxyl-M is the active isomer of metalaxyl.}
Chemical Name: (methyl N-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-N-(methoxyacetyl)-D-alaninate
Chemical Class: Phenylamide fungicide.

Active Ingredient (%): Thiamethoxam [CGA293343] (10.3 %)
Chemical Name: 3-[(2-chloro-5-thiazolyl)methyl]tetrahydro-5-methyl-N-nitro-4H-1,3,5-oxadiazin-4-imine
Chemical Class: Neonicotinoid insecticide.

Product Use: A seed treatment for canola and mustard. For further details please refer to product label.
**SECTION – 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

**Symptoms of Acute Exposure**
May cause eye irritation.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**
Can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases.

**Physical Properties**
- Appearance: Opaque blue liquid.
- Odour: Faint latex paint-like odour.

**Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards**
During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Potential Health Effects**
- Relevant routes of exposure: Skin, eyes, mouth, lungs.

**SECTION – 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

**IF POISONING IS SUSPECTED, immediately contact the poison information centre**, doctor or nearest hospital. Have the product container, label or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. Tell the person contacted the complete product name, and the type and amount of exposure. Describe any symptoms and follow the advice given. Call the Syngenta Emergency Line [1-800-327-8633 (1-800-FASTMED)], for further information.

- **EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with clean water, holding eyelids apart for a minimum of 15 - 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Obtain medical attention immediately if irritation persists.

- **SKIN CONTACT:** Immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash skin, hair and fingernails thoroughly with soap and water. Flush skin with running water for a minimum of 20 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation occurs.

- **INHALATION:** Move victim to fresh air. If not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call Syngenta, a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

- **INGESTION:** If swallowed, immediately contact Syngenta, a poison control centre, doctor or nearest hospital for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by a physician or a poison control center. If spontaneous vomiting occurs, have victim lean forward with head down to avoid breathing in of vomitus, rinse mouth and administer water.
NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:
There is no specific antidote. Treat symptomatically.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS KNOWN TO BE AGGRAVATED:
None known.

SECTION – 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash point and method: > 104.4 ºC.
Upper and lower flammable (explosive) limits in air: Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature: Not available.
Flammability: Not applicable.
Hazardous combustion products: During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion, including carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide.
Conditions under which flammability could occur: Product is not flammable. Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.
Extinguishing media: Use foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder, halon extinguishant or water fog or mist, (avoid use of water jet). Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Contain run-off water with, for example, temporary earth barriers.
Sensitivity to explosion by mechanical impact: No.
Sensitivity to explosion by static discharge: No.

SECTION – 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions: Make sure all personnel involved in the spill cleanup follow good industrial hygiene practices. A small spill can be handled routinely. Wear suitable protective equipment and clothing as described in Section 8 and/or the product label.
Procedures for dealing with release or spill: Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent from spreading or contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Sections 7 and 8. Pump or scoop large amounts of liquid into a disposable container. Absorb remaining liquid or smaller spills with clay, sand or vermiculite. Scoop or sweep up material and place into a disposal container. Wash area with detergent and water. Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. On soils, small amounts will naturally decompose. For large amounts, skim off the upper contaminated layer and collect for disposal. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container and arrange for disposal. Spillages or uncontrolled discharges into watercourses must be reported to the appropriate regulatory body.

SECTION – 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling practices: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Avoid breathing vapours or spray mist. Wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment (see Section 8). After work, rinse gloves and remove protective equipment, and wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling, and before eating, tobacco use, drinking, applying cosmetics or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use and separate from household laundry. Keep containers closed when not in use. Keep product, wash or rinse water, and contaminated materials out of water, and away from access by animals, birds or unauthorized people.
Appropriate storage practices/requirements: Store above 0°C (32°F) in the original container. Store in a dry, well ventilated area away from feed and foodstuffs, and out of the reach of children and animals. Keep away from fire or open flame, or other sources of heat. Keep separate from other products to prevent cross contamination. Rotate stock.
National Fire Code classification: Not applicable.
Applicable control measures, including engineering controls: This product is intended for use outdoors where engineering controls are not necessary. If necessary, ensure work areas have ventilation, containment, and procedures sufficient to maintain airborne levels below the TLV. Warehouses, production area, parking lots and waste holding facilities must have adequate containment to prevent environmental contamination. Provide separate shower and eating facilities.

THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION ARE INTENDED FOR THE MANUFACTURE, FORMULATION, PACKAGING AND USE OF THIS PRODUCT.

CONSULT THE PRODUCT LABEL FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS AND/OR ON-FARM APPLICATIONS.

Personal protective equipment for each exposure route:
General: For use in commercial seed treatment facilities with closed transfer systems only. No open transfer of HELIX Seed Treatment. Avoid breathing dust, vapours or aerosols. Avoid contact with eye, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating, drinking, applying cosmetics or handling tobacco.

INGESTION: Do not eat, drink, handle tobacco, or apply cosmetics in areas where there is a potential for exposure to this material. Always wash thoroughly after handling.

EYES: Where eye contact is likely, use chemical splash goggles. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

SKIN: Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant (such as nitrile or butyl) gloves, coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear. For overhead exposure, wear chemical-resistant headgear.

INHALATION: A respirator is not normally required when handling this substance. Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below exposure limits. A NIOSH-certified combination air-purifying respirator with an N, P, R or HE class filter and an organic vapour cartridge may be used under certain circumstances where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits (e.g. emergency spills).

SECTION – 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Opaque blue liquid.
Formulation Type: Liquid suspension.
Odour: Faint latex paint-like odour.

pH: 7 - 9 (1% aqueous solution @ 25 °C).

Vapour pressure and reference temperature:
- Difenconazole Technical: 2.5 x 10^-10 mmHg @ 25 °C.
- Fludioxonil Technical: 2.9 x 10^-9 mmHg @ 25°C
- Metalaxyl-M Technical: 2.5 x 10^-5 mmHg @ 25 ºC
- Thiamethoxam Technical: 2 x 10^-11 mmHg @ 20°C

Vapour density: Not available.
Boiling point: Not available.
Melting point: Not available.
Freezing point: - 20 ºC
Specific gravity or density: 1.29 g/cm³ @ 20 ºC.
Evaporation Rate: Not available.
Water/oil partition coefficient: Not available.
Odour threshold: Not available.
Viscosity: 500-650 mPas (or cps) @ 20°C

Solubility in Water:
- Difenconazole Technical: 15 mg/L @ 25 ºC
- Fludioxonil Technical: 1.8 mg/L @ 25 ºC
- Metalaxyl-M Technical: 26 g/L @ 25 ºC
- Thiamethoxam Technical: 4.1 g/L @ 25 ºC

SECTION – 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability: Stable under normal use and storage conditions.
Conditions to avoid: Excessive heat or cold. Avoid temperatures above 30 ºC.
Incompatibility with other materials: None known.
Hazardous decomposition products: Can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases.
Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

SECTION – 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity/Irritation Studies (Finished Product):

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Reproductive/Developmental Effects

- Difenoconazole Technical: None observed.
- Fludioxonil Technical: Not teratogenic.
- Metalaxyl-M Technical: None observed.
- Thiamethoxam Technical: Not teratogenic or a reproductive toxicant. Minor testis effects at high doses with no effect on reproduction.

Chronic/Subchronic Toxicity Studies

- Difenoconazole Technical: Liver effects at high doses in animal models. Eye effects in dogs at high doses.
- Fludioxonil Technical: Liver and kidney effects at high dose levels in animal models. Changes in urine colour (predominantly blue) occurred following repeated dosing in dogs, rats and mice.
- Metalaxyl-M Technical: Liver effects at high dose levels in animal models.
- Thiamethoxam Technical: Liver and kidney effects at high doses in animal models. Not neurotoxic in animal models.

Carcinogenicity

- Difenoconazole Technical: Liver tumors in mice at high doses that are not relevant to humans.
- Fludioxonil Technical: No evidence of carcinogenicity in rodent studies.
- Thiamethoxam Technical: Liver tumors at high doses in mice that are not relevant to humans.

Other Toxicity Information:

None.

Toxicity of Other Components

The acute toxicity test results reported in Section 11, above, for the finished product take into account any acute hazards related to the “other components” in the formulation.

Glycerin:

Repeated or prolonged exposure to concentrated solutions may result in dermatitis.

Prolonged breathing of excessive dust may affect lung function.
Titanium Dioxide:
Titanium dioxide is listed as an IARC Group 2B (Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans). Prolonged exposure causes respiratory irritation and may lead to pulmonary fibrosis.

Other materials that show synergistic toxic effects together with the product: None known.

Target Organs
Active Ingredients
- Difenoconazole Technical: Brain, liver, kidney, gastrointestinal tract.
- Fludioxonil Technical: Liver, kidney.
- Thiamethoxam Technical: Liver, kidney.

Inert Ingredients
- Glycerin: Not Applicable
- Nuisance Dusts (Particulates N.O.C.): Lung
- Titanium Dioxide: Lung

SECTION – 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Summary of Effects
The insecticidal active ingredient, thiamethoxam, is slightly to practically non-toxic to fish, birds and aquatic invertebrates (water flea). The fungicides, metalaxyl-M (and S isomer) and difenoconazole, are practically non-toxic to slightly toxic to fish, birds, aquatic invertebrates (water flea). Fludioxonil is practically non-toxic to birds, but is moderately to very highly toxic to fish (rainbow trout) and aquatic invertebrates (water flea).

Eco-Acute Toxicity
- Difenoconazole Technical:
  - Green Algae 5-Day EC50: 0.31 ppm
  - Invertebrates (Water Flea) 48-hour EC50: 0.77 ppm
  - Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50: 1.06 ppm
  - Birds (Bobwhite Quail) 8-day Dietary LD50: 4,760 ppm
- Fludioxonil Technical:
  - Green Algae 5-Day EC50: 0.83 ppm
  - Invertebrates (Water Flea) 48-hour EC50: 0.90 ppm
  - Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50: 0.23 ppm
  - Bird (Bobwhite Quail) 8-day Dietary LC50: > 5,200 mg/kg
- Metalaxyl-M Technical:
  - Green Algae 5-Day EC50: 140 ppm
  - Invertebrates (Water Flea) 48-hour /EC50: 28 ppm
  - Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50: 130 ppm
  - Bird (Bobwhite Quail) 5-day Dietary LD50: > 5,000 ppm
- Thiamethoxam Technical:
  - Green Algae 5-Day EC50: > 100 ppm
  - Invertebrate (Water Flea) 48-hour EC50: > 106 ppm
  - Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50: > 100 ppm
  - Bird (Bobwhite Quail) 8-day Dietary LC50: > 5,200 ppm

Environmental Fate
The active ingredient, thiamethoxam, has a moderate bioaccumulation potential, low mobility, and moderate persistence in soil and water. Fludioxonil has a low bioaccumulation potential, low mobility in soil, and has low persistence in soil or water. The active ingredient metalaxyl-M (and S isomer) has a low bioaccumulation potential, a low to high mobility in soil (depending on soil type), and is not persistent in the environment. Difenoconazole has a moderate degradation rate in
soil when used as a seed applied treatment, and has a low to moderate mobility in soil and a moderate bioaccumulation potential.

**SECTION – 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste disposal information:** Do not reuse empty containers unless they are specifically designed to be re-filled. Empty container retains product residue. Dispose of empty containers in accordance with local regulations. Consult provincial environment ministry for advice on waste disposal. Industrial/commercial waste may be handled at licensed facilities only. Waste shipments must be securely packaged and properly labelled. Only licensed carriers may be used, and proper documents must accompany the shipment.

**SECTION – 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**Shipping information such as shipping classification:**

TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS CLASSIFICATION - ROAD/RAIL
Not Regulated.

**SECTION – 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**WHMIS classification for product:** Exempt

 *A statement that the MSDS has been prepared to meet WHMIS requirements, except for use of the 16 headings. This MSDS has been prepared in accordance with WHMIS requirements, but the data are presented under 16 headings.*

Other regulations; restrictions and prohibitions

Pest Control Products (PCP) Act Registration No.: 26637

**SECTION – 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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