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Four Turf Registrations from Belchim Canada.

Belchim Turf, a division within Belchim Crop Protection Canada, is pleased to announce Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) recent approvals of the following four turf fungicides. All four products are registered and now available for use on golf courses and sod production within Canada.

1. Penthion™ Fungicide Now Registered

Penthion Turf Fungicide belongs to the SDHI (Succinate DeHydrogenase Inhibitors), FRAC group 7, class of chemistry and exhibits strong translaminar and xylem mobility within the plant. Penthion is labelled for the control of Dollar spot, Anthracnose, Brown patch and Grey snow mould, giving Penthion the broadest spectrum label of any SDHI registered for turf in Canada.

"Belchim Turf is excited to be introducing Penthion to Canadian turf managers. As an SDHI, Penthion's ability to control key summer diseases like Dollar spot, Anthracnose and Brown patch make it an ideal addition for disease management on high value turf." says Barry Johnson, Marketing Manager for Belchim Canada's turf products. "The recent restrictions placed on traditional turf fungicides reinforces the importance of proper fungicide rotation and introduction of new broad spectrum chemistry, like Penthion."

2. Phostrol® *Pro* is the First Phosphite Fungicide Registered for Microdochium Patch in Canada

Phostrol[®]*Pro* is a non-conventional fungicide containing a highly concentrated and unique blend of mono- and dibasic sodium, potassium, and ammonium phosphites. The introduction of Phostrol[®]*Pro* brings a dedicated turf product with a label for the suppression of Anthracnose, Pythium blight and Microdochium patch.

The Microdochium patch registration is the first of any phosphite fungicide in Canada. "We're excited to offer Phostrol[®]*Pro* as a unique alternative to traditional Microdochium patch solutions. We've had great, multi-year trial results at Oregon State University with Phostrol[®]*Pro*. When applications are made preventatively, whether on its own or as part of a tank mix program, Phostrol[®]*Pro* has been proven to significantly suppress the Microdochium patch pathogen", says Dave Wright, Research and Development Manager for Belchim Crop Protection Canada.

"With its ability to stimulate a plant's natural defence system, Phostrol[®]*Pro* is the foundation of our developing line of BioPriority™ turf protection solutions. A collection of non-conventional pest control products, our BioPriority solutions can be combined to provide pest control equivalent to that of traditional chemistry," says Paul Grotier, Sales and Account Manager for Belchim Canada's turf products.

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3. Kabuto® Registered for 21-28 Days Dollar Spot Control

Kabuto contains the unique active ingredient, isofetamid, a fourth generation SDHI fungicide with some of the latest technology in Dollar spot protection. Two higher rates have been added to Kabuto's label to accommodate the extended interval of control. "After years of extensive field research we are thrilled to offer golf course managers a proven 21 to 28 day Dollar spot solution", says Billy Joe Carey, Technical Representative for Belchim's professional turf products.

"Dollar spot is one of the most common, expensive and time consuming turfgrass diseases to manage in Eastern Canada. Being a single active ingredient with both preventative and curative properties, now with an extended control interval make Kabuto a convenient, yet flexible solution for controlling Dollar spot", adds Paul Grotier, Sales and Account Manager for Belchim's professional turf products.

4. Renovo® Passes Re-evaluation, a Big Win for the Canadian Turf Industry.

Earlier this year the PMRA completed its re-evaluation of thiophanate-methyl, the active ingredient in Renovo Turf Fungicide. Renovo's use in turf will continue with minor updates to the label.

Renovo Turf Fungicide belongs to the fungicide group 1 (MBC). Thiophanate-methyl, the active ingredient in Renovo, is the only turf fungicide registered within this class of chemistry in Canada. A highly systemic active ingredient registered for control of key turfgrass diseases on sod farms and golf courses in Canada.

"The successful re-evaluation of Renovo is good news for Belchim Turf, and an even bigger win for the Canadian turf industry. With the imminent phase-out of iprodione and restrictions placed on traditional chemistries, we believe Renovo can help superintendents in their efforts to manage disease and fungicide resistance," says, Barry Johnson, Marketing Manager for Belchim Canada's turf products.

"Considering nearly 50% of all turf fungicides in Canada contain either a DMI (group 3) or QoI (group 11) class of chemistry, it is extremely important to have unique chemistries, like Renovo, to incorporate into our disease management programs. Rotating to thiophanate-methyl once or twice throughout the season can help preserve important chemistry groups", adds, Billy Joe Carey, Technical Representative for Belchim's professional turf products.

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