Ms. Marion Burgwin  
Regulatory Affairs  
Ecogen Inc.  
2005 Cabot Boulevard West  
P. O. Box 3023  
Langhorne, PA 19047-3023  

Dear Ms. Burgwin:  

Re: Registration of Aspire Biofungicide (EPA Reg. No. 55638-29)  
containing the New Active Ingredient Candida oleophila  
Isolate I-182  

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
has approved your application to register the pesticide product  
Aspire (EPA Reg. No. 55638-29) containing the new active  
ingredient Candida oleophila Isolate I-182 in New York State.  
Aspire is used for the prevention of disease on post-harvest  
citrus and pome fruit.  

This product was given unconditional registration by the  
United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). Studies  
conducted with Candida oleophila indicate that it is not acutely  
toxic to mammals via ingestion or dermal exposure. The USEPA  
concluded that a tolerance for Candida oleophila was not  
necessary to protect the public health stating that "the toxicity  
studies provided are sufficient to show that there are no  
foreseeable human or domestic health hazards likely to arise from  
the use of this product to control post-harvest decay in citrus  
and pome fruit."  

Labelled uses of Aspire Biofungicide should not adversely  
impact the fish and wildlife resources of New York State, nor  
pose significant risk to public health.  

Enclosed for your records are a stamped-accepted label and  
the certificate of registration for Aspire Biofungicide (EPA Reg.  
No. 55638-29).
Ms. Marion Burgwin

If you have any questions on this matter please contact Maureen Serafini, Supervisor of our Pesticide Product Registration Section, at (518) 457-7446.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Nosenchuck, P.E.
Director
Division of Solid & Hazardous Materials

Enclosure

cc - w/enc: D. Rutz, Cornell University
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