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The Environmental Protection Agency hereby amends the specific exemption granted under the provisions of section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, to the New York Department of Environmental Conservation for the use of the formulated product ApiLife VAR containing thymol, eucalyptus oil, and L-menthol in beehives to control varroa mites (Varroa spp.). This specific exemption is amended by revising item number 4 to read:

4. Applications can be made in any season (spring, summer, fall, winter) in which all applicable restrictions, precautions and directions for use can be followed. Do not use when surplus honey supers are in place. Use when average daily temperatures are between 59°F and 69°F. Do not use ApiLife VAR at temperatures above 90°F.

All other conditions and restrictions included in the December 29, 2004 authorization still apply.

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