



## CHEMICAL ADVISORY

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Bayer Crop Science announced this week that a federal court issued an order to deny their petition to stay and appeal a previous court decision to vacate the spirotetramat (Movento®) registration. This means the spirotetramat registration is now cancelled. EPA issued an interim cancellation order on March 12 stating that **growers may use existing stocks of Movento®**, but otherwise it may not be bought or sold in commerce.

The tolerance for Movento remains in place, so any fruit previously treated or treated with existing stocks is legal.

EPA issued an interim cancellation order, because it is still reviewing comments it received on the cancellation procedure notice. A final order is expected soon. EPA has not informed the registrant or the public how it intends to proceed with the "new" registration of Movento® or how long it will take.

Spirotetramat (Movento®) is effective in controlling Asian citrus psyllid (*Diaphorina citri*), California red scale (*Aonidiella aurantii*), cotton aphid (*Aphis gossypii*), citrus leafminer (*Phyllocnistis citrella*), citrus red mite (*Panonychus citri*) and citrus thrips (*Scirtothrips citri*).

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