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27 October 2000

The Research Manager Yates New Zealand Limited 20 Poutama Street Richmond NELSON.

Attention Mr P. de Jong.

Dear Peter,

Please find enclosed one copy of the final report for both of the pear Fireblight trials: one on Packham pears (Project # 798) and the other on process pears (Project # 800). A summary of the results is outlined below:

1. Project # 798 (Packam Pears) - moderately high disease pressure

### Excellent season-long control of fresh Fireblight strikes with

CIT 30, @ 750 mls per 100 litres KeyStrepto, @ 60 grams per 100 litres Kocide DF, @ 75 grams per 100 litres Kocide 2000, @ 64.3 grams per 100 litres

### Excellent control of fresh Fireblight strikes for four weeks with

Yates Protector, @ 2.0 litres per 100 litres

None of the treatments showed any significant reduction in Fireblight shoot infection on previously infected wood.

Kocide DF and Mankocide reduced clean fruit levels at harvest, but all three copper products gave very high export packouts levels, similar to KeyStrepto and the unsprayed control. Export levels were greatly reduced with CIT 30. No signs of foliage phytotoxicity were found with any of the treatments, except CIT 30. This product caused obvious foliage phytotoxicity with the leaves being reduced in size, having pronounced upward cupping and some marginal leaf necrosis. The shoots had shortened internodes resulting in reduced shoot length with symptoms still evident four months later at harvest.

### 2. Project # 800 (WBC Pears) – Low disease pressure

The standard Keystrepto (streptomycin) gave complete control of fresh strikes on new seasons shoots whereas all other treatments, including Kocide, had similar levels to the unsprayed control. None of the treatments controlled the disease in shoots on previously diseased wood where systemic movement of the pathogen was present.

Export quality fruit was reduced with the copper-based sprays by 30% but it was more apparent with CGA 245704 and even worse with CIT 30. CIT 30 also caused leaf phytotoxicity, reduced leaf size and reduced shoot length.

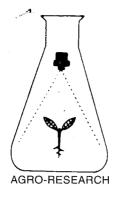
We apologise for the delay in getting these final reports to you but realise that the Interim reports covered the disease control and that the general conclusions were published in the ENZA led "The latest in Fireblight Management" Seminar held in June of this year.

Our two invoices for the balance of the costs associated with these two trials are also enclosed. No payment due.

Kind regards,

J.A. Geelen

**Managing Director** 



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### AN EVALUATION OF SEVERAL PRODUCTS FOR THE CONTROL OF FIREBLIGHT CONTROL IN PACKHAM PEARS IN HAWKE'S BAY

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**CLIENT:** 

Yates New Zealand Limited

**FOR ATTENTION OF:** 

P. de Jong

PROJECT No:

798

**TRIAL LOCATION:** 

Hawke's Bay, New Zealand

TRIAL INVESTIGATOR: J.A. Geelen

**STUDY DIRECTOR:** 

J.A. Geelen

DATE:

27 October 2000

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In a fully replicated trial in heavily Fireblight (*Erwinia amylovora*) infected Packham pear trees several known and potential control agents were applied regularly over the critical flowering period resulting in:

### 1. Control of Fresh Fireblight Infections with streptomycin, Kocide and CIT 30

Excellent season-long control of Fireblight obtained with CIT 30, @ 750 mls per 100 litres
KeyStrepto (streptomycin sulphate), @ 60 grams per 100 litres
Kocide DF (copper hydroxide), @ 75 grams per 100 litres
Kocide 2000 (copper hydroxide), @ 64.3 grams per 100 litres

Four weeks control of Fireblight with Yates Protector (fatty acid), @ 2.0 litres per 100 litres

No obvious control with CGA 245704, @ 14 grams per 100 litres Kendal, @ 500 mls per 100 litres Mankocide (copper hydroxide/mancozeb), @ 1.5 kg per hectare Serenade (*Bacillus subtilis*), @ 11.0 kg per hectare Surround (kaolin), @ 55 kg per hectare

### 2. No Control of Systemic Infections of Fireblight on Previously Diseased Wood

None of the treatments evaluated showed any obvious efficacy against Fireblight infections occurring on shoots on previously diseased wood where systemic movement of the pathogen was the obvious way the disease infection had occurred.

### 3. CIT 30 the Only Product to Obviously Reduce Export Packout Levels

No significant increase in initial fruit damage was found with any of the copper-based products but both Kocide DF and Mankocide reduced clean fruit levels at harvest whereas Kocide 2000 was quite reasonable. All three gave very high export packouts levels, similar to KeyStrepto and the unsprayed control, but export levels were significantly lower with CIT 30.

### 4. Obvious Phytotoxicity and Growth Retardation with CIT 30

CIT 30 was the only product to show any phytotoxicity and reduced leaf size, caused pronounced upward cupping and some marginal leaf necrosis while the shoots had shortened internodes resulting in reduced shoot length. The symptoms still evident four months after application at harvest.

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### INTRODUCTION

Fireblight, caused by the bacterium *Erwinia amylovora*, is one of the major diseases of pipfruit, especially pears. It usually enters through the flowers colonising the stigma. It can destroy whole limbs and even trees within one season and can spread very rapidly. The name Fireblight relates to the blackening of the shoot tips but the rapidity of disease spread also justifies the name. For infection to occur climatic conditions must be favourable (temperatures above 15.5°C and high accumulative heat units and water) as well as the presence of an infection source and a susceptible host (during the flowering period). Wind, rain and insects distribute the bacteria.

Disease control has been centred for many years on the use of the antibiotic streptomycin, which has resulted in disease resistance in several Hawke's Bay orchards, although its reduced use over the past two seasons has allowed the reestablishment of sensitive strains. Copper-based sprays have been the other major products used but their application over flowering, the main timing for disease control, has resulted in fruit injury. The appearance of several candidate products potentially active against Fireblight prompted a trial to be established. An orchard with a history of Fireblight infection was chosen and the products evaluated in a full replicated trial at rates recommended by the sponsor Company, but with spray timing designed to give maximum opportunity for disease control. This was done so that every product could be given the maximum chance for success with future work then looking at reduced rates or fewer sprays. This trial was undertaken in the Hastings area of Hawke's Bay on the previously a common Packham Triumph cultivar. An identical comparative trial was carried out in William Bon Chretian process pears (see JAR Geelen Research Project # 800), a cultivar with a different (earlier) flowering period, but also being russet-sensitive and very susceptible to Fireblight.

### SCHEDULE OF EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

### **1. SITE:**

*LOCATION*: O. Lowes, Ruahapia Road, Hastings (GR 427694, NZMS 260 V21, Napier, 1981), Hawke's Bay, New Zealand.

**2. CROP:** European Pear cv Packham Triumph (mature trees).

### 3. APPLICATION:

**TREATMENTS:** Details of test treatments are given in Tables I and II. The elicitor type products (CGA 245704, CIT 30, Kendal, Yates Protector) were first applied prior to flowering, and then all products were sprayed at 3-7 day intervals from the commencement of bloom until petalfall and immediately prior to, or after, a forecasted (by Crop Health Services, Hastings) Fireblight infection period.

Details of each treatments spray programme are outlined in Table IV.

A standard mancozeb-based fungicide and insecticide programme was then applied by the grower through until harvest.

**DETAILS:** Information of each application is given in Table III.

**EQUIPMENT:** All applications were made using a hand lance with one D2 nozzle and operating at a pressure of 1200 kPa. Trees were sprayed to incipient run-off with water rates (around 2000 litres per hectare), equivalent to full dilute spraying.

### **4. TRIAL DESIGN:**

TYPE: Fully replicated (6x) randomised block design.

**PLOT SIZE:** Single mature tree.

5. METHODOLOGY: Prior to treatment replication being finalised, trees were individually inspected for carry-over levels of Fireblight so that this was evenly distributed between the various treatments. When Fireblight was first evident in the field, on 29 October (10 days after the last spray was applied), the number of infected shoots was counted on each tree at regular intervals until one month later, when new strikes were no longer evident. Fireblight strikes were separated into those occurring on shoots on limbs entirely free of Fireblight from previous seasons (called fresh strikes) and those that occurred on the tips of limbs that were already obviously diseased the previous season (called strikes on old infected wood).

Midway during the season (22 December 1999) some 100 fruitlets on each tree were visually evaluated by two assessors and the fruit categorised into those that were completely free of russet, those that were mildly affected and those that showed severe russet. A foliage phytotoxicity score was undertaken at the same time.

At the first harvest (22 February 2000) 100 mature fruit were removed, counted and weighed from each tree in all 66 trees in the trial. They were then individually

assessed by grading into fruit with less than 20% of the surface area russetted; those with 20-50% russet and those with over 50% russet.

**6. RESULTS:** For detailed results see Appendix I, Tables V - IX. Statistical analyses were carried out using Duncan's Modified Multiple Range Test and square root transformation of the data applied where appropriate.

7. WEATHER DETAILS: Details on weather conditions and infection periods over the spraying period can be seen in Appendices II, III and IV.

Two Gemini Tinytag data loggers were placed within the trial block and these recorded temperature, relative humidity and leaf wetness at 10 minute intervals from the commencement of the trial until the last Fireblight assessment (for results see Appendix II).

**8. PHOTOGRAPHS:** Photographs were taken at trial commencement and at various stages during the trial and shown in Appendix V.

### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The 1999-2000 season began with a warm and relatively dry September and October while November and December had moderate temperatures with regular rainfall. January was warm and quite dry, while for only the second time since records began no rain fell in February. March was cool and wet. Growing conditions were excellent but the block suffered from previous serious Fireblight attacks by having far fewer flowers than normal and hence a much lighter crop at harvest. The external quality of the pear crop was generally very good.

### 1. Effect on Fireblight

### 1.1. Infection Periods and Spray Timing

Actual Fireblight infection periods occurred on four occasions at the following dates:

1. 5 October (early white tip) — high risk

2. 23 October (98% petalfall) — high risk

3. 28/29 October (petalfall) – extreme risk

**4.** 2-4 November (post petalfall) – severe risk

In the trial the spray applications were made:

Four days prior to and again the day after the first infection period;

Four days prior to the second infection period, nine days prior to the third infection period and two weeks prior to the fourth infection period.

### 1.2. Disease Control of Fresh Infections

The reduction in the number of fresh strikes (those unaffected by cankers from the previous season) on new seasons shoots is the most accurate way of assessing treatment efficacy. Disease infection was already evident 10 days after the final spray was applied indicating that the most likely infection period was 5<sup>th</sup> October, when trees were at early flowering. All treatments had been sprayed at least one prior to this date and then again immediately after the infection period was recorded. CGA 245704 was far worse than unsprayed trees, which was due to one tree being particularly badly infected. Mankocide and Serenade were also showing some disease while the other sprayed treatments were clean.

Further regular assessments showed CGA 245704 getting progressively worse and also other treatments succumbing to the disease (see Table IV). By 17 November, one month after the last spray, it was clear that Kendal, Mankocide, Serenade and Surround were ineffective whereas CIT 30, Kocide DF and Kocide 2000 as well as the standard KeyStrepto were performing well. Yates Protector was also keeping the disease at bay but by 10 days later was badly infected. It is possible that with this product the elicitor action meant that further applications needed to be made after the infection pressure was over.

The final assessment in early December, six weeks after the last spray, showed CIT 30, Kocide DF and Kocide 2000 as well as Keystrepto as being the only effective products. Kocide 2000, applying 75% less active copper as Kocide DF, was the most effective with only one Fireblight strike on one of the six trees in the trial. This compared with two strikes in two of the six trees with Kocide DF and almost two strikes per tree in half the KeyStrepto treated trees. It was unfortunate that the unsprayed trees did not go down at lot more with the disease as one would have expected but nevertheless the levels were sufficiently high in the trial to differentiate between those treatments obviously working and those that were ineffective or giving only mediocre control.

### 1.3. Disease Control of Infections on Previously Infected Wood

Given the high disease carry-over level and the lack of detailed winter pruning to remove diseased wood, one would have expected much higher levels in the spring, especially on old infected wood. This infection most likely came from systemic movement of the bacteria within the branch of the tree, which then slowly killed the new season's developing shoots. None of the treatments showed any significant reduction compared to the untreated control trees. As none of the products are systemic within the plant and none are bactericidal (actually kill the bacteria) but at best bacteriostatic (protecting the tree from infection), this result is

not surprising. The low number of strikes made it difficult to determine treatment efficacy but all products were ineffective, even the standard Keystrepto.

Details of effects on Fireblight are provided in Appendix I, Tables V to VII.

### 2. Crop Damage Effects

### 2.1. Mid-season Fruit Russet Levels

This pear variety is prone to spray damage and with the three sprays being applied over the particularly russet-sensitive blossom to petalfall period the effect on skin quality needed careful evaluation. At this initial stage in mid December almost all fruit was free of russet in all treatments. Unsprayed control fruit had completely russet-free fruit, as did CGA 245704, KeyStrepto, Surround and Yates Protector. The copper-based sprays were slightly poorer, but not statistically significant compared to either the standard KeyStrepto or untreated fruit. CIT 30 had clearly the worst fruitfinish with obviously fewer clean fruit and correspondingly more mild and severe russet.

The standard Kocide DF at the rates required for Fireblight control had 3.3% severe russet at this stage whereas none was present where Kocide 2000 was applied. This is in keeping with the manufacturer's claims that, not only is Kocide equally effective at lower rates, but it also less damaging to the crop.

### 2.2. Fruitfinish at Harvest

The highest levels of clean (russet-free) fruit were found in trees sprayed with Kendal, Keystrepto, and Surround as well as untreated fruit. Repeated sprays of the copper compounds, Kocide DF and Mankocide, over flowering, resulted in reduced levels of clean fruit whereas Kocide 2000 was reasonable. The worst product was still CIT 30. This treatment had by far the highest level of fruit with over 50% russet and along with Kocide DF, the most fruit with 20-50% russet. CGA 245704 showed up a problem in the Bon Chretian pears (see Project # 800) but there was no fruit phytotoxicity problem in this equally sensitive cultivar.

Fruit with less than 20% russet was regarded as being of export quality. Combining clean fruit with those having less than 20% russet resulted in over 98% export in both the untreated control and the standard KeyStrepto. Levels were over 95% where both Kocide products and Mankocide were applied as well as with all other treatments, except CIT 30, which was significantly worse than all other treatments with only 72% export fruit.

### 2.3. Fruit Size at Harvest

Although Fireblight infection levels were moderately high there were no differences in fruit size between any of the applied treatments and the untreated control.

### 2.4. Foliage Phytotoxicity

CIT 30 was the only treatment to show any obvious foliage phytotoxicity. Leaves were clearly reduced in size, had pronounced upward cupping of the leaves and showed some marginal leaf necrosis. The shoots had shortened internodes and this resulted in reduced shoot length. The symptoms were very obvious and were still evident at harvest, four months after the final spray.

Spraying the trees with Surround did not cause any obvious phytotoxicity but did totally whiten the trees giving them a "White Christmas" look.

Details of fruit injury levels midway during the season and at harvest are presented in Tables VIII and IX.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

J.A.R Geelen Research Ltd is indebted to Mr Owen Lowes for provision of the trial block and the overall maintenance of the trial. Details of the Fireblight risks and warnings in the Table in Appendix I are reprinted from the proceedings of "The latest in Fireblight Management", ENZA 2000.

We are also indebted to the following sponsors:

Elliott Chemicals Limited ENZA Limited FruitFed Supplies Limited Heinz Wattie's Limited Pacific Growers Supplies Limited Yates New Zealand Limited

### CONCLUSIONS

The results obtained from this trial enable the following conclusions to be made:-

• Regular applications both before and after Fireblight infection periods over the critical flowering period to previously heavily infected Packham pear trees showed that under moderately high disease pressure:

### **Excellent control of fresh Fireblight strikes with**

CIT 30, @ 750 mls per 100 litres KeyStrepto, @ 60 grams per 100 litres Kocide DF, @ 75 grams per 100 litres Kocide 2000, @ 64.3 grams per 100 litres

### Excellent control of fresh Fireblight strikes for four weeks with

Yates Protector, @ 2.0 litres per 100 litres

### No obvious Fireblight control with

CGA 245704, @ 14 grams per 100 litres Kendal, @ 500 mls per 100 litres Mankocide, @ 1.5 kg per hectare Serenade, @ 11.0 kg per hectare Surround, @ 55 kg per hectare

- None of the treatments showed any significant reduction in Fireblight shoot infection on previously infected wood compared to the untreated control trees. This was no doubt due to the fact that none of the products were systemic within the plant and none had bactericidal activity.
- Applying four sprays over the critical fruit russetting period showed no significant increase in initial fruit damage from any of the copper-based sprays or any other product, except CIT 30, compared to the standard KeyStrepto treatment. Both Kocide DF and Mankocide reduced clean fruit levels at harvest whereas Kocide 2000 was quite reasonable, but all three gave very high export packouts levels, similar to KeyStrepto and the unsprayed control. Export levels were only 72% with CIT 30, significantly inferior to all other treatments.

• No signs of foliage phytotoxicity were found with any of the treatments, except CIT 30. This product caused obvious foliage phytotoxicity with the leaves being reduced in size, having pronounced upward cupping and some marginal leaf necrosis. The shoots had shortened internodes resulting in reduced shoot length with symptoms still evident four months later at harvest.

J.A.R. Geelen Research Limited

J.Á. Geelen 27 October 2000

### APPENDIX I

**Tables** 

### TABLE I - PRODUCT DETAILS

No.	TREATMENT	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	CHEMICAL GROUP	MODE OF ACTION	DISTRIBUTOR
-:	UNTREATED CONTROL	ı	ı		ı
2.	CGA 245704	unknown	Unknown	Elicitor	Fruitfed Supplies Ltd
33.	CIT 30 .	unknown	Unknown	Elicitor	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
4.	KENDAL	unknown	Unknown	Biostimulant	Pacific Growers Ltd
5.	KEYSTREPTO	streptomycin sulphate	Bactericide	Fungistat	Key Industries Ltd
9.	KOCIDE DF	copper hydroxide	Inorganic copper	Fungistat	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
7.	KOCIDE 2000	copper hydroxide	Inorganic copper	Protectant	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
∞.	MANKOCIDE	copper hydroxide + mancozeb	Inorganic copper + Dithiocarbamate	Protectant	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
9.	SERENADE 70WP	Bacillus subtilis	Bactericide	Fungistat	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
10.	SURROUND	kaolin	Clay	Protectant	Elliott Chemicals Ltd
==	YATES PROTECTOR	fatty acid	Fatty acid	Elicitor	Yates New Zealand Ltd
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### TABLE II - DETAILS OF TREATMENTS

5, 6 7, 8 7, 8	Ž.	TREATMENT	FORM	% A.I.	No. APPI Ns	APPLN	RATE PER 100 LITRES	100 LITRES	RATE PER HECTARE	HECTARE
CGA 245704 WG 50.0 5 4 5.6 7.8 8  CIT 30 EC - 5 5.6 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8							ACTUAL (g or ml)	ACTIVE (g)	ACTUAL (kg or L)	ACTIVE (kg)
CGA 245704 WG 50.0 5 4 5,6 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8 7,8	1.	UNTREATED CONTROL	1	ı	ı	ı		ı		\$
CIT 30  EC - 5 4  5,6  7,8  CITOWETT  EC 100.0 5 7,8  7,8  KENDAL  EC 21.5 7 1-3  5,6  7,8  7,8  CITOWETT  EC 100.0 4 5,6  7,8	2,	CGA 245704	WG	50.0	ν.	4 5,6 7,8	14.00 14.00 14.00	7.00 7.00 7.00	0.280 0.294 0.322	0.140 0.147 0.161
CITOWETT EC 100.0 5 7,8  4 5,6 7,8  KENDAL EC 21.5 7 1-3 5,6 7,8 7,8  CITOWETT EC 100.0 4 5,6 7,8	e,	CIT 30	EC	1	5	4 5,6	75.00 75.00	ι ,	15.000	
KENDAL         EC         21.5         7         1-3           5, 6           7, 8           KESTREPTO         WP         17.0         4         5, 6           CITOWETT         EC         100.0         4         5, 6           7, 8         7, 8		CITOWETT	EC	100.0	٧.	7,8 5,6 7,8	75.00 25.00 25.00 25.00	25.00 25.00 25.00	0.500 0.525 0.575	0.500 0.525 0.575
KESTREPTO WP 17.0 4 CITOWETT EC 100.0 4	4.	KENDAL	EC	21.5	7	1-3 5,6 7,8	500.00 500.00 500.00	107.50 107.50 107.50	9.000 10.500 11.500	2.150 2.258 2.473
EC 100.0 4	κ.	KESTREPTO	WP	17.0	4	5,6 7,8	60.00	10.20	1.260	0.214
		CITOWETT	EC	100.0	4	5,6	25.00 25.00	25.00 25.00	0.525 0.575	0.525 0.575

### TABLE II - DETAILS OF TREATMENTS (Continued)

6. KOCIDE 7. KOCIDE 2000 8. MANKOCIDE	TREATMENT	FORM	% A.I.	No.	APPLN	RATE PER 100 LITRES	100 LITRES	RATE PER HECTARE	HECTARE
				APPLNS	V	ACTUAL (g or ml)	ACTIVE (g)	ACTUAL (kg or L)	ACTIVE (kg)
1		DF	40.0	4	5, 6 7, 8	75.00	30.00 30.00	1.575	0.630
	0	WP	35.0	4	5,6	64.30 64.30	22.51	1.350	0.473
	B	WP	45.0	4	5,6	71.43	32.14 29.35	1.500	0.675
9. SERENADE		WP	70:0	4	5,67,8	523.81 478.26	366.67	11.000	7.700
10. SURROUND		WP	100.0	4	5,6	2619.05 2391.30	2619.05 2391.30	55.000	55.000 55.000
11. YATES PROTECTOR	FECTOR	SC	25.0	4	5,6 7,8	2.00	500.00 500.00	42.000	10.500

### TABLE III - APPLICATION DETAILS SUMMARY

APPLICATION No.	1	2	က	4
DATE INTERVAL (days)	3 <sup>rd</sup> September '99	15 <sup>th</sup> September '99 12	23 <sup>rd</sup> September '99 8	28 <sup>th</sup> September '99 5
GROWTH STAGE	Dormant	10% Bud Swell	Tight Cluster	Open Cluster
WATER / PLOT (L) WATER / HECTARE (L) COVERAGE	3.0 1900 Complete	3.1 2000 Complete	3.1 2000 Complete	3.1 2000 Complete
WIND SPEED (km/hr) WIND DIRECTION DRIFT	3-4 NE Ni		I I I	3 SW Nii
TEMPERATURE (°C) REL. HUMIDITY (%) DRYING TIME (mins) DRYING SPEED	18.0 58.0 20 Normal	15.0 71.0 45 Slow	15.0 61.0 30 Normal	13.0 44.5 30 Normal
RAINFALL (mm) PREV. 24 hrs FOLL. 24 hrs FOLL. 48 hrs FOLL. 1 week	0.2 0.0 0.0 1.4 32.2	7.6 0.0 9.8 10.6 10.8	0.0 0.0 0.2 0.2	0.2 0.0 0.0 0.0 9.6
CLOUD COVER	3 / 10	6 / 10	0 / 10	0 / 10
CROP / SOIL SURFACE	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
FROST	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

# TABLE III - APPLICATION DETAILS SUMMARY (Continued)

DATE INTERVAL (days) GROWTH STAGE White Tip				
		_	12 <sup>th</sup> October '99 6	19 <sup>th</sup> October '99 7
				99% Petalfall
WATER / PLOT (L) 3.3 WATER / HECTARE (L) 2100 COVERAGE Complete		3.3 2100 Complete	3.6 2300 Complete	3.6 2300 Complete
WIND SPEED (km/hr) WIND DIRECTION DRIFT		0-3 NE Nil	0-3 NE Nii	0-1 SW Nil
TEMPERATURE ( °C) 17.0 REL. HUMIDITY (%) 55.0 DRYING TIME (mins) 30 DRYING SPEED Normal	.0 .0 ) nal	20.5 58.0 30 Normal	20.0 60.0 35 Normal	15.0 66.0 30 Normal
RAINFALL (mm) PREV. 24 hrs 0.0 FOLL. 24 hrs 0.0 FOLL. 48 hrs 0.0 FOLL. 1 week 9.6 FOLL. 2 weeks 14.6	o. o. o. <i>i</i> o. <i>i</i> o.	0.0 0.0 9.6 11.0 14.6	0.0 0.0 1.4 5.0 9.4	0.0 0.0 4.4 4.4
CLOUD COVER 0 / 10	10	8 / 10	9 / 10	0 / 10
CROP / SOIL SURFACE Dry	۶	Dry	Dry	Dry
FROST	-	Nil	Nil	Nii

## TABLE IV - OVERALL TREATMENT PROGRAMME

No.	TREATMENT		V	PPLICATION	<b>APPLICATION NUMBER</b> ( $* = APPLICATION MADE$ )	4PPLICATION .	MADE)		
		1	2	3	4	æ	9	7	<b>&amp;</b>
<u>.</u>	UNTREATED CONTROL	•	ı			ı	1	1	ŧ
2.	CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L		ı	ı	*	*	*	*	*
ب	CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L + CITOWETT, @ 25 mls / 100 L	1		1	*	*	*	*	*
4.	ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*
5.	KEYSTREPTO, @ 60 g / 100 L + CITOWETT, @ 25 mls / 100 L	ı	ı	,	1	*	*	*	*
9.	KOCIDE DF, @ 75 g / 100 L	ı	•	•	1	*	*	*	*
7.	KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	*
∞i	MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg / ha	ı	1	,	ı :	*	*	*	*
9.	SERENADE 70WP, @ 11.0 kg/ha		1	1	•	*	*	*	*
10.	SURROUND, @ 55.0 kg / ha	•	1	•	*	*	*	*	*
11.	YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	•	1	1	•	*	*	*	*

TABLE V - EFFECT ON FRESH FIREBLIGHT INFECTION

TREATMENT	NUMBER OF F	RESH FIREBLIGHT	NUMBER OF FRESH FIREBLIGHT STRIKES PER TREATMENT (6 Trees)	<b>IENT</b> (6 Trees)	TOTAL TREES INFECTED
	10 DAT * 29th October '99	21 DAT 10 <sup>th</sup> November	30 DAT 17 <sup>th</sup> November	42 DAT 29 <sup>th</sup> November	(out of 6 trees) 42 DAT
UNTREATED CONTROL	quantity (	\$	10	11	3
CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L	10	18	28	32	5
CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L $^{\rm +t}$	0	0	2	3	3
ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	0	\$	15	26	9
KEYSTREPTO, @ $60 \mathrm{g}/100 \mathrm{L}^{++}$	0	1	2	S	æ
KOCIDE DF, @ 75 g / 100 L	0	. 1	2	4	7
KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	0	0	1	1	1
MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg / ha	2	8	<b>∞</b>	. 11	3
SERENADE 70WP, @ 11 kg/ha	2	ĸ	<b>∞</b>	22	4
SURROUND, @ 55 kg / ha	0	7	11	12	4
YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	0	1	4	. 23	4

<sup>\*</sup> DAT = Days After Treatment (days after the last application was made).

 $<sup>^{++}</sup>$  CIT 30 and KeyStrepto were both tankmixed with Citowett, @ 25 mls / 100 L.

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TABLE VI - EFFECT ON FRESH FIREBLIGHT STRIKES \*

TREATMENT	ME.	MEAN NUMBER OF FRESH FIREBLIGHT STRIKES PER TREE	EBLIGHT STRIKES PER TI	(EE
	10 DAT 29 October	21 DAT 10 November	30 DAT 18 November	42 DAT 29 November
UNTREATED CONTROL	0.17 abA	0.83 abAB	1.67 abA	1.83 abcA
CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L	1.67 aA	3.00 aA	4.67 aA	5.33 aA
CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L	0.00 bA	0.00 bB	0.33 bA	0.50 bcA
ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	0.00 bA	0.83 abAB	2.50 abA	4.33 abA
KEYSTREPTO, @ $60 g/100 L$	0.00 bA	0.17 bAB	0.33 bA	0.83 bcA
KOCIDE DF, @ 75 g / 100 L	0.00 bA	0.17 bAB	0.33 bA	0.67 bcA
KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	0.00 bA	0.00 bB	0.17 bA	0.17 cA
MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg / ha	0.33 abA	0.50 bAB	1.33 abA	1.83 abcA
SERENADE 70WP, @ 11 kg / ha	0.33 abA	0.50 bAB	1.33 abA	3.67 abcA
SURROUND, @ 55 kg / ha	0.00 bA	0.33 bAB	1.83 abA	2.00 abcA
YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	0.00 bA	0.17 bAB	0.67 bA	3.83 abcA
LSD 0.05 LSD 0.01 CV %	1.50 2.00 29.96	2.20 2.94 35.71	3.49 4.65 43.95	3.95 5.27 42.73

<sup>\*</sup> Based on new Fireblight strikes from infections that have occurred over the flowering period.

TABLE VII - EFFECT ON FIREBLIGHT STRIKES FROM OLD INFECTED WOOD \*

TREATMENT		<b>1EAN NUMBER OF OLD FIRI</b>	MEAN NUMBER OF OLD FIREBLIGHT STRIKES PER TREE	
	10 DAT 29 October	21 DAT 10 November	30 DAT 18 November	42 DAT 29 November
UNTREATED CONTROL	0.33 bAB	0.67 abA	0.83 NS	1.33 NS
CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L	0.33 bAB	0.50 abA	0.83 NS	1.33 NS
CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L	0.00 bB	0.17 bA	0.33 NS	0.67 NS
ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	0.00 bB	1.00 abA	1.00 NS	1.00 NS
KEYSTREPTO, @ 60 g / 100 L	0.00 bB	0.17 bA	0.33 NS	0.33 NS
KOCIDE DF, @ 75 g / 100 L	0.00 bB	1.50 aA	1.50 NS	1.50 NS
KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	0.17 bB	0.50 abA	0.67 NS	0.67 NS
MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg/ha	0.17 bB	0.33 abA	0.67 NS	0.67 NS
SERENADE 70WP, @ 11 kg / ha	0.00 bB	0.50 abA	0.50 NS	0.67 NS
SURROUND, @ 55 kg / ha	0.17 bB	0.50 abA	0.50 NS	0.50 NS
YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	1.00 aA	1.17 bA	1.67 NS	1.67 NS
LSD 0.05 LSD 0.01 CV %	0.58 0.77 17.02	1.17 1.56 27.92	1.34 1.79 29.68	1.40 1.86 29.89

<sup>\*</sup> Based on shoots infected on wood that was infected in the 1998 season and not removed at pruning.

# TABLE VIII - EFFECT ON FRUITFINISH AND FOLIAGE PHYTOTOXICITY AT THINNING

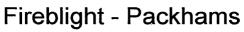
TREATMENT		FRUITFINISH		FOLIAGE
	CLEAN FRUIT (%)	MILD RUSSET (%)	SEVERE RUSSET (%)	SCORE (0-10)
UNTREATED CONTROL	100.00 aA	0.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L	100.00 aA	0.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L	83.40 cA	9.17 aA	6.17 aA	6.50 aA
ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	96.17 abA	2.00 bB	1.83 bB	0.00 bB
KEYSTREPTO, @ $60 g/100 L$	100.00 aA	0.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
KOCIDE DF, @ $75 \mathrm{g} / 100 \mathrm{L}$	94.17 bcA	2.50 bB	3.33 bB	0.00 bB
KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	96.33 abA	3.67 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg/ha	98.00 abA	2.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
SERENADE 70WP, @ 11 kg/ha	98.00 abA	1.83 bB	0.17 bB	0.00 bB
SURROUND, @ 55 kg / ha	100.00 aA	0.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	100.00 aA	0.00 bB	0.00 bB	0.00 bB
LSD 0.05 LSD 0.01 CV %	5.70 7.60 2.68	3.93 5.24 46.08	3.81 5.07 49.89	0.29 0.39 4.11

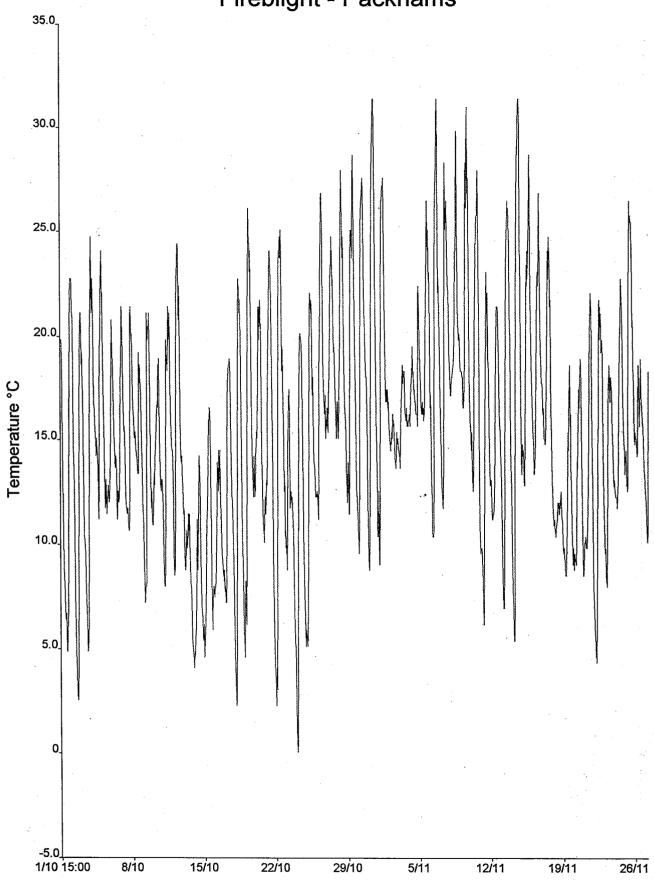
## TABLE IX - EFFECT ON FRUITFINISH AT HARVEST

TREATMENT	MEAN FRUIT WEIGHT	CLEAN	PERCEN RESP	PERCENT FRUIT RUSSET WITHIN RESPECTIVE CATEGORIES	WITHIN RIES	EXPORT
	(g)	(%)	< 20%	20-50%	>20%	(%)
UNTREATED CONTROL	229.82 abcA	54.04 aABC	44.64 bcBC	1.38 bB	0.30 bB	98.68 aA
CGA 245704, @ 14 g / 100 L	223.64 abcA	38.63 bBCD	59.41 aAB	1.18 bB	0.65 bB	98.05 aA
CIT 30, @ 750 mls / 100 L	244.20 aA	8.87 cE	63.57 aA	10.20 aA	17.36 aA	72.44 bB
ELICITOR, @ 500 mls / 100 L	232.49 abcA	55.19 aAB	43.45 bcBC	0.23 bB	1.13 bB	98.57 aA
KEYSTREPTO, @ 60 g/100 L	206.56 cA	54.34 aAB	43.71 bcBC	0.91 bB	1.03 bB	98.31 aA
KOCIDE DF, @ 75 g / 100 L	214.06 bcA	30.37 bD	64.72 aA	8.79 aA	0.81 bB	95.10 aA
KOCIDE 2000, @ 64.3 g / 100 L	219.62 abcA	41.26 bBCD	57.04 aAB	1.35 bB	0.34 bB	98.30 aA
MANKOCIDE, @ 1.5 kg / ha	227.94 abcA	33.30 bD	62.76 aA	2.35 bB	1.59 bB	96.06 aA
SERENADE 70WP, @ 11 kg / ha	214.47 abcA	39.48 bBCD	56.62 abAB	2.42 bB	1.48 bB	96.10 aA
SURROUND, @ 55 kg / ha	237.37 abA	60.03 aA	37.16 cC	1.42 bB	0.39 bB	98.19 aA
YATES PROTECTOR, @ 2.0 L / 100 L	238.39 abA	38.43 bCD	56.29 abAB	2.11 bB	2.11 bB	94.73 aA
LSD 0.05 LSD 0.01 CV %	30.08 40.11 5.81	12.47 16.63 13.31	12.26 16.35 10.02	4.71 6.28 38.27	4.22 5.62 35.81	4.51 6.01 2.29

### APPENDIX II

Weather Recording Data – On Site Tinytag Data Logger

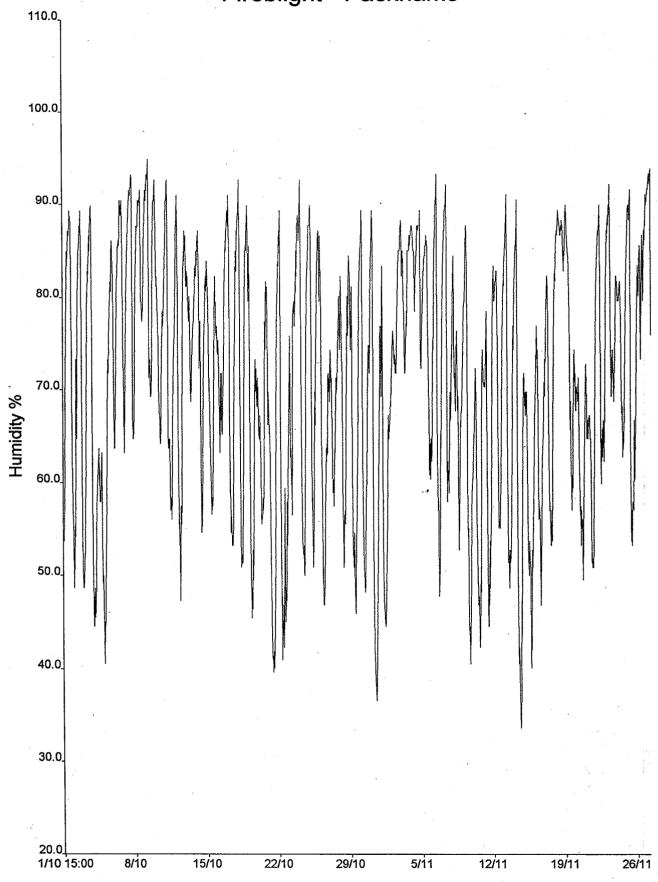




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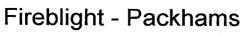
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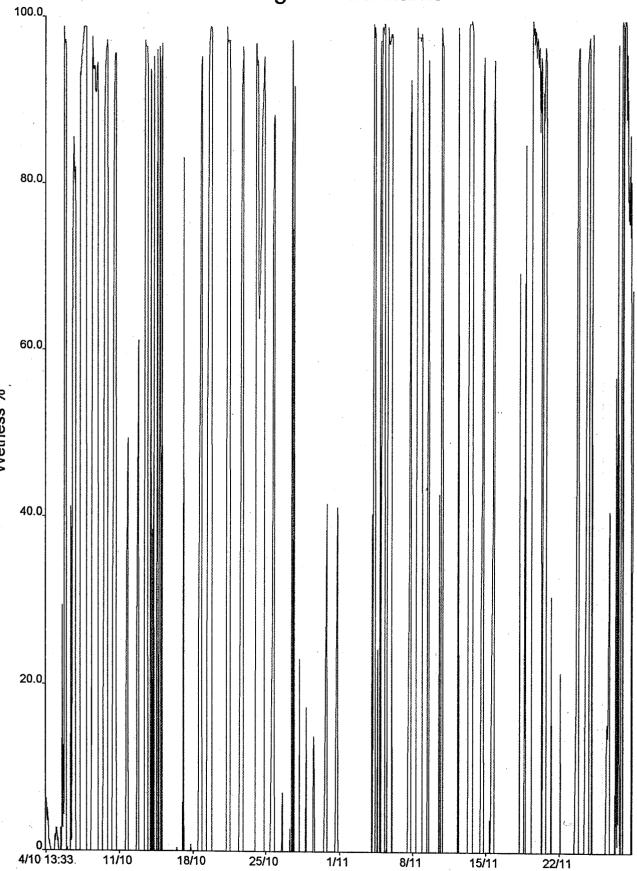




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### APPENDIX III

Weather Recording Data – Regional Data Loggers

### at 5 pm, Friday, 1 October 1999

Sponsored by ENZA & Heinz-Wattie's

Prepared by HortResearch & CHS

	AVERA	GE DAII	LY TEM	PERATUR	ES	
Logger		Log	ged data		Foreca	st data
Site	27	28	-29	1-Oct-99	1 Oct	2
Longlands Rd	8.6	8.7	10.1	12.3	13	13
Trotter Rd	11.6	10	9.7	13	13	13
Allen Rd	10.8	9.1	10.5	12.9	13	13
Swamp Rd area*	12	10	13	12.9	13	13

### Notes:

- Average daily temperatures (mean of 24 records from 0100-2400 hrs) above 15° C indicate rapid multiplication of bacteria is occurring on flowers a warning sign.
- Compare average daily temperatures (mean of max + min) from warmer sites within your orchard blocks with above data to estimate your risk from our predictions.

\*Oamarunui Settlement Rd - temp means are being estimated from raw data.

FIRE BLIGHT (blossom) INFECTION RISK

Date	Risk	Comments
1-Oct-99	mod	a change from low risk yesterday. Rain not expected but heavy dews
-1	mod	could occur. Warmer temperatures expected, but still cool early
2 Oct	mod	mornings.

Note: Although average daily temps are still below 15 C due to cool nights (frosts in some localities), hourly heat accumulation above 18.3 C was significant today, and high maximum temperatures over the next two days will add significantly to this. This indicates that district risk has changed to **moderate**.

An appropriate response is: apply fire blight spray only if: 1) pipfruit block is in flower, 2) variety is highly susceptible, 3) active cankers are present in or near block, 4) average temperatures at warmer sites in block are higher than indicated above (around 15 C), 5) a heavy due occurs overnight. A low rate copper spray (carries a potential russet risk), is the preferred option at this early stage as higher-risk situations definitely requiring streptomycin may occur in the near future. To avoid resistance problems don't exceed two streptomycins.

### at 7 pm, Friday, 8 October 1999

Sponsored by ENZA & Heinz-Wattie's

Prepared by HortResearch & CHS

AVERAGE DAILY TEMPERATURES						
Logger		Forecast				
Site	4	5	6	8-Oct-99	8	9
Longlands Rd	14.5	15.7	14.5	15.3	13.5	15
Trotter Rd	14.5	16.5	13.9	15	13.5	15
Allen Rd	14.7	16.7	14.3	15.2	13.5	15
Te Aute Rd	14	15.7	14.6	15.8	14.5	15

### Notes:

- Average daily temperatures (mean of 24 records from 0100-2400 hrs) above 15° C indicate rapid multiplication of bacteria is occurring on flowers a warning sign.
- Compare average daily temperatures (mean of max + min) from warmer sites within your orchard blocks with above data to estimate your risk from our predictions.
- note that today's mean temperature is based on only 18 hours data and is adjusted the next day once the full 24 hours of data is obtained. Forecast mean temperatures are based on MetService data and only approximate.

FIRE BLIGHT (blossom) INFECTION RISK

Date	Risk	Comments
8-Oct-99	low	Assume CDH reduced to zero on 6 Oct by spraying
8	low	rain expected Friday and overnight
9	mod	rain expected Sunday

**Bb** symptoms should occur 57 DD  $\geq$  12.7 C from infection date (assumed to be 6 Oct).

Note: You should have sprayed at-risk blocks by now. On correctly sprayed blocks CDHs > 18.3 C should have reset to zero and will have to build up to the threshold of around 110 again before infection can recur. Risk should therefore be low. Unsprayed blocks could develop FB.

at 7 pm, 20 Oct 1999

Sponsored by ENZA & Heinz-Wattie's

Prepared by HortResearch & CHS

AVERAGE DAILY TEMPERATURES						
Logger		Forecast				
Site	17	18	19	20 Oct	21	22
Longlands Rd	10.5	12.1	12.1	14.4	15.5	15
Trotter Rd	10.7	12.1	11.9	16.2	16	15
Allen Rd	10.6	12.1	12	17.3	16	15
Te Aute Rd	10.2	12.1	12	13.9	15.5	15
Lawn Rd	10.3	12.1	12.1	14.7	15	15
Swamp Rd area	11	12.7	13	13.0	16.5	15

### Notes:

- If average daily temperatures (mean of 24 records from 0100-2400 hrs) rise above 15° C this indicates rapid multiplication of bacteria is occurring on flowers a warning sign. Today's average is adjusted downwards tomorrow night when the full 24 hrs data is in.
- Compare average daily temperatures (mean of max + min) from warmer sites within your orchard blocks with above data to estimate your risk from our predictions.

FIRE BLIGHT (blossom) INFECTION RISK

Date	Risk	Comments	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
20 Oct	low	av temps exceeding 15 C some sites.	
21	mod	High av temps and rapid heat accumulation expected	
22	high	early shower possible Friday am	

Low - no action necessary Mod (Alert) - be prepared to act (your site may be warmer than reference site- might require action) High - urgent action recommended nd = no data

Bb symptoms should occur 57 DD ≥ 12.7 C from 6 Oct (so far 33.3 at Te Aute; 25.8 at Lawn Rd).

**Note:** Fireblight strikes have been reported at one or two sites. These are being investigated. Sites warmer than the reference sites above may be at high risk by tomorrow night.

at 7 pm, 24 Oct 1999

Sponsored by ENZA & Heinz-Wattie's

Prepared by HortResearch & CHS

AVERAGE DAILY TEMPERATURES						
Logger	Logged data				Forecast	
Site	21	22	23	24 Oct	25	26
Longlands Rd	15.3	15.9	14.3	11.1	12	12
Trotter Rd	16.4	15.6	14.5	12.5	12	12
Allen Rd	<b>16.7</b>	15.9	15.6	13.2	12	12
Te Aute Rd	14.4	14.6	14.3	10.4	12	12
Lawn Rd	16.6	15.9	13.7	12	12	12
Swamp Rd area	16.5	16.4	17.7	12 est	12	12

### Notes:

- If average daily temperatures (mean of 24 records from 0100-2400 hrs) rise above 15° C this indicates rapid multiplication of bacteria is occurring on flowers a warning sign. Today's average is adjusted downwards tomorrow night when the full 24 hrs data is in.
- Compare average daily temperatures (mean of max + min) from warmer sites within your orchard blocks with above data to estimate your risk from our predictions.

FIRE BLIGHT (blossom) INFECTION RISK

Date	Risk	Comments
24 Oct	high	cool day but rain will have triggered blossom infection at many sites
25	low	if spray applied to at-risk blocks. High if not as strikes may be progressing.
26	low	ditto

Low - no action necessary Mod (Alert) - be prepared to act (your site may be warmer than reference site-might require action) High - urgent action recommended nd = no dataBb symptoms should occur 57 DD  $\geq$  12.7 C from 6 Oct (so far 44 at Te Aute; 36.6 at Lawn Rd).

Note: General high risk situation tonight for at-risk blocks due to high heat accumulation by last night and rainfall today. Some sites had not crossed infection threshold last night but most were at a high risk level. Will reset heat accumulation to zero as from today on assumption that at-risk blocks have been sprayed. This may be the last blossom blight high risk event for this season. However shoot blight can occur with 1) temperatures above 15 C, 2) presence of blossom blight or weeping cankers and 3) presence of sucking insects eg aphids, ALCM.

### at 7 pm, 27 Oct 1999

Sponsored by ENZA & Heinz-Wattie's

Prepared by HortResearch & CHS

AVERAGE DAILY TEMPERATURES						
Logger		Logge	d data		Forecast	
Site	24	25	26	27 Oct	28	29
Longlands Rd	10.6	9.7	12.7	17.4	16	15.5
Trotter Rd	11.5	9.3	12.7	17.4	16	15.5
Allen Rd	12.3	10.7	13.8	17.7	16	15.5
Te Aute Rd	10.0	9.7	12.3	17.4	16	15.5
Lawn Rd	11.4	9.9	12.7	17.2	16	15,5
Swamp Rd area	12	10.9	13.3	17.5	16	15.5

### Notes:

- If average daily temperatures (mean of 24 records from 0100-2400 hrs) rise above 15° C this indicates rapid multiplication of bacteria is occurring on flowers a warning sign.
- Compare average daily temperatures (mean of max + min) from warmer sites within your orchard blocks with above data to estimate your risk from our predictions.

### FIRE BLIGHT (blossom) INFECTION RISK

Date	Risk	Comments
27 Oct	low-mod	high average today and rapid heat unit accumulation
28	mod	
29	mod-high	warm weekend expected

Low - no action necessary Mod (Alert) - be prepared to act (your site may be warmer than reference site- might require action)

High - urgent action recommended nd = no data

Note: Shoot blight can occur with 1) temperatures above 15 C, 2) presence of blossom blight or weeping cankers and 3) presence of sucking insects eg aphids, ALCM. Several outbreaks on Braeburn have been reported. Check Braeburn blocks carefully and inform either D Manktelow 877 2767 or Greg Tate 879 8875 if strikes are present for HortResearch follow-up to investigate causal factors.

## APPENDIX IV

Weather Station Details (Whakatu - 2km from trial site)

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## APPENDIX V

Photographs



Photo I – General view of trial at dormant (Application # 1 - 03 September 1999)



Photo II – Close-up of growth stage at Application # 1 (3 September 1999)

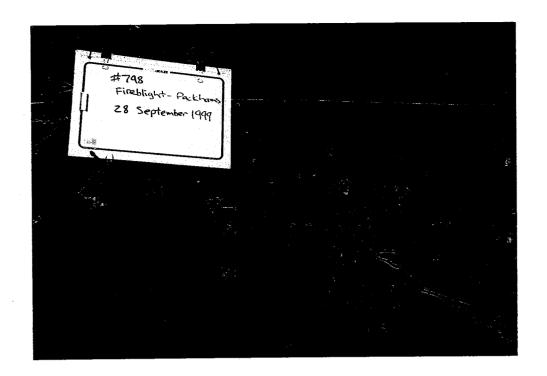


Photo III – Close-up of growth stage at Application # 4 (Open cluster - 28 September 1999)



Photo IV – General view of growth stage at first main application (# 5) (White tip - 1 October 1999)



Photo V – Close-up of growth stage at first main application (# 5) (White tip - 1 October 1999)



Photo VI – Close-up of growth stage at Application # 6 (6 October 1999)



Photo VII – General view of trial at 10% petalfall (Application # 7 - 12 October 1999)



Photo VIII – Close-up of growth stage at Application # 7 (12 October 1999)



Photo IX – General view of trial at 99% petalfall (Application # 8 - 19 October 1999)

Note white tree (Surround sprayed) in background



Photo X – Close-up of growth stage at final application (# 8) (19 October 1999)



Photo XI – Foliage damage caused by CIT 30 (12 October 1999)

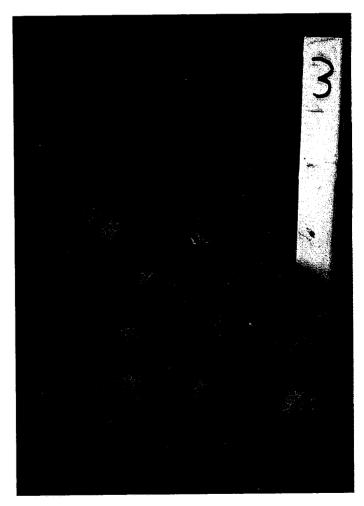


Photo XII - Close-up of fruit russet at harvest caused by CIT 30

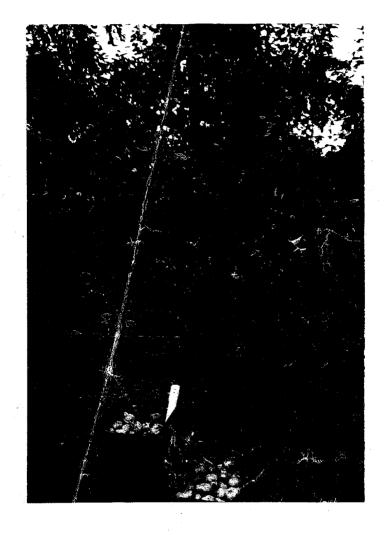


Photo XIII – Tree sprayed with CIT 30 shown at harvest (four months after last spray) with smaller leaves and less dense tree

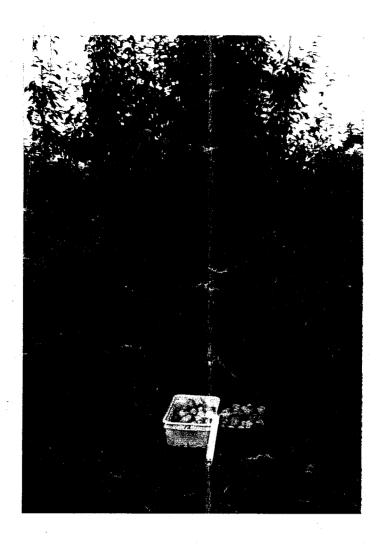


Photo XIV – Untreated Control tree shown at harvest

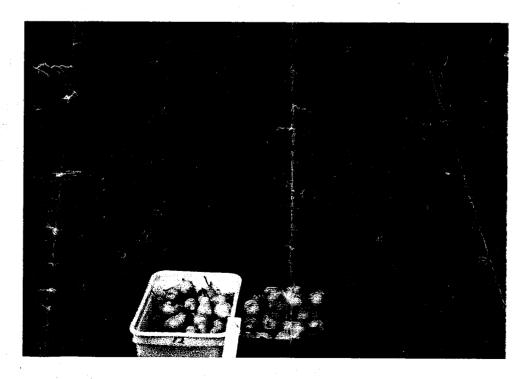


Photo XV - General view of untreated fruit at harvest



Photo XVI – Tree sprayed with Surround shown at harvest (four months after last spray)



Photo XVII - General view of fruit at harvest from Surround sprayed tree