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**STRATEGO FUNGICIDE REGISTERED IN CALIFORNIA TO CONTROL
STRIPE RUST, OTHER FOLIAR DISEASES IN WHEAT**

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (August 11, 2005) – STRATEGO® fungicide from Bayer CropScience has been registered for control of foliar diseases in wheat by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation.

STRATEGO provides excellent residual control of rusts, including stripe rust, as well as leaf blight, glume blotch, powdery mildew and tan spot. STRATEGO also gives California wheat growers the ability to harvest wheat for forage as soon as 30 days after application, and for hay 45 days after application.

STRATEGO combines two unique chemistries that complement each other to provide rapid post-infection and systemic activity, as well as sustained residual control. In addition, STRATEGO is an effective product for resistance management programs. The product label allows preventive applications beginning when conditions are favorable for disease development.

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For more information about STRATEGO and other Bayer CropScience products, contact your pest control advisor or Bayer CropScience representative. You also may visit www.BayerCropWest.com or call 1-866-99-BAYER (1-866-992-2937).

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