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SYNGENTA AG

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Re: SYNGENTA AG

Press Release: EU to re-register Chlorothalonil fungicide

Filed herewith is a press release related to Syngenta AG. The full text of the press release follows:

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Media Release

EU to re-register Chlorothalonil fungicide

Basel, Switzerland, 28 February 2005

Syngenta today announced that the fungicide chlorothalonil has been approved for inclusion in Annex 1 under EU Directive 91/414, which allows for continued registration in EU countries. Chlorothalonil is marketed as a straight product as BRAVO® and in combinations under several brand names including AMISTAR® OPTI and ALTO® ELITE.

This decision ensures that European farmers will retain a very important tool for disease control and particularly for resistance management in cereals and other crops, said John Atkin, Chief Operating Officer of Syngenta Crop Protection.

AMISTAR® OPTI, a combination product containing AMISTAR®, the broadest spectrum cereal fungicide, and BRAVO®, offers farmers a unique solution for combating many diseases including *Septoria*, a serious fungal disease in European cereals, which is developing strains that other treatments do not fully control.

Chlorothalonil is registered in all major regions for fungal disease control in a wide range of crops including cereals, fruit, potatoes, vegetables and turf.

Syngenta is a world-leading agribusiness committed to sustainable agriculture through innovative research and technology. The company is a leader in crop protection, and ranks third in the high-value commercial seeds market. Sales in 2004 were approximately \$7.3 billion. Syngenta employs some 19,000 people in over 90 countries. Syngenta is listed on the Swiss stock exchange (SYNN) and in New York (SYT). Further information is available at www.syngenta.com.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SYNGENTA AG

Date: February 28, 2005

By: /s/ Christoph Mäder

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