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Bayer rejects WirtschaftsWoche report on Dicamba lawsuits

Leverkusen, August 17, 2018 – In reports appearing in its August 17 edition, and in an advance version on August 16, German magazine WirtschaftsWoche states that farmers in Arkansas and South Dakota have filed new class-action lawsuits over Dicamba in a U.S. district court in St. Louis. This is incorrect: Bayer clarifies that these lawsuits, which are directed not only at Monsanto but also a number of other companies active in the agricultural sector, do not represent a new development. Instead, they have been known about for quite some time, and media from the United States and Germany have already reported on this matter.

The first lawsuit was filed back in November 2016. The proceedings mentioned in the WirtschaftsWoche article have been pending for weeks or even months. Based on the information currently available to Bayer, 37 lawsuits with 181 plaintiffs have been filed in the United States in connection with Dicamba. Monsanto and the other defendants have refuted the allegations made in the lawsuits.

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