

present? If algal growth test results cannot predict toxicity in a reservoir, will EPA restrict use of certain test species in large water bodies? (6) How to address toxicity caused by artifacts of the test methods. (7) How should WET testing be conducted when in-stream conditions differ substantially from WET toxicity test methods (e.g., temperature, hardness)?

Compliance and Enforcement Issues

1. Single exceedance: (1) Are there alternatives for dealing with a single test failure that results in a WET limit exceedance (e.g., further testing and TIE/TRE where appropriate, as agreed to by regulatory agencies and permittees)? (2) Can EPA evaluate the Pellston findings that concluded that usually episodic exceedances (especially one chronic test failure) would not impact the receiving system? (3) Will one violation be subject to enforcement actions?

2. Inconclusive TRE/TIEs: (1) How should inconclusive (i.e., no sources of toxicity identified) TRE/TIEs be treated by regulatory authorities? (2) Should more guidance be given on what is an acceptable TIE/TRE? (3) Should a pattern of toxicity be observed before compliance actions are initiated? (4) How should low level chronic toxicity be addressed when conducting a TIE?

3. Test/data variability in determining compliance: (1) How should EPA consider data variability when determining compliance (especially since laboratories with low test variability are more likely to detect test failure)? (2) For a LC50 value greater than 100 percent effluent, how should compliance be determined? (3) Should EPA provide a laboratory certification for WET testing and a more rigorous test acceptance criteria program?

4. Fair notice (cross over w/permits). How should permits be written to bring closure to (successful/unsuccessful) TIE/TREs?

5. "Good actor" relief in TIE/TRE: When WET limits continue to be exceeded while TIE/TRE is being conducted, is the permittee subject to enforcement action?

6. Ability to track permit conditions: Narrative limits could be viewed differently than numeric limits.

7. Treatment chemicals causing toxicity: How can compliance determinations account for use of EPA-registered pesticides or common salts causing ionic imbalance toxic effects from salinity?

Dated: July 31, 1996.

Michael B. Cook,

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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[OPP-64031; FRL-5385-9]

Iprodione on Cowpeas; Proposed Voluntary Cancellation of Registration

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Receipt of Request to Cancel and Proposed Cancellation Order.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that EPA has received a request from Rhone-Poulenc AG Company to cancel the use of iprodione on cowpeas. Under section 6(f) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136d(f)(1)), EPA must announce the receipt of such requests and allow public comment before approving them. The registrant has requested that the comment period for this cancellation request be waived. However, the Agency will provide the public an opportunity to comment on the request and proposed cancellation order. The agency accepted Rhone-Poulenc AG Company's proposed program to relabel existing stocks and stocks of iprodione that were in the channels of trade when other amendments to the iprodione registrations (i.e., amendments that are not subject to this Notice) were approved. Relabeling was completed by May 31, 1996.

DATES: Public comment on the use deletion will be accepted until September 6, 1996.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit comments to Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, deliver comments to room 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by docket number [OPP-64031]. No "Confidential Business Information" (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed

online at many Federal Depository libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found below in this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail, Vivian Prunier, Review Manager, Special Review Branch, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Third floor, Westfield Building, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington VA (703) 308-8034, e-mail: prunier.vivian@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Request for Voluntary Cancellation of Use

Under section 6(f) of the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)(7 U.S.C. 136d(f)(1)), a registrant may at any time request that any of its pesticide registrations be canceled or be amended to delete one or more uses. Section 6(f) of FIFRA requires the Administrator to publish a notice of receipt of the request and allow public comment before approving such request. The Administrator may waive the comment period prior to issuing an order if the registrant requests a waiver or if the continued use of the pesticide would pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment.

On March 14, 1996, Rhone-Poulenc AG Company requested amendments to the registrations of its iprodione products (ROVRAL Fungicide (EPA Reg. No. 264-453), ROVRAL 4 Flowable Fungicide (EPA Reg. No. 264-482) and ROVRAL WG Fungicide (EPA Reg. No. 264-524). Among other requested changes, Rhone-Poulenc AG Company requested voluntary cancellation of the use of iprodione on cowpeas. The other amendments were accepted in March 1996 and included reductions in the number of iprodione applications to grapes or stone fruits and a feeding restriction for peanut hay. Because these amendments do not result in the deletion of any uses of iprodione, they are not subject to this Notice. EPA has determined that iprodione residues in or on cowpeas contribute slightly to human dietary risk because iprodione residues from cattle feed are carried over into cows' milk. Iprodione residues in or on peanut hay account for the vast majority of iprodione residues in milk. This source of dietary exposure has been eliminated because the March 1996 amendment request included amending the registration for the use of iprodione on peanuts to add a feeding

restriction for peanut hay. When iprodione-treated peanut hay and iprodione-treated cowpeas are both eliminated from dairy cattle diets, the anticipated residue level of iprodione in milk, expressed as a nation-wide average, falls from 0.0073 ppm to 0.0003 ppm. These residue levels correspond to dietary risks of 3.4×10^{-6} and 1.4×10^{-7} , respectively. Therefore, the action taken in March 1996 significantly decreases dietary exposure to iprodione through consumption of milk.

II. Opportunity for Public Comment

On May 23, 1996, Rhone-Poulenc AG Company requested EPA to waive the comment period on the proposed deletion of the cowpea use. The Administrator has determined that a 30-day comment period is appropriate for the proposed action. Accordingly, persons wishing to comment may do so by September 6, 1996. Any comments received in response to this notice will be considered in EPA's final cancellation order. If no comments are received, the cancellation will go into effect on October 7, 1996, without publication of a Final Order. EPA believes the use deletion proposed by Rhone-Poulenc AG Company will help reduce the risk of unreasonable adverse effects from continued use of products containing iprodione. It is EPA's intention to approve Rhone-Poulenc AG Company's request for deletion of the use on cowpeas unless during the comment period convincing information is received that demonstrates that approval of Rhone-Poulenc AG Company's request is inappropriate.

III. Public Comment Procedures

EPA invites interested persons to submit written comments, information, or data in response to this notice. Comments must be submitted by September 6, 1996. Comments must bear a notation indicating the docket number. Three copies of the comments should be submitted to either location listed under **ADDRESSES** at the beginning of this notice.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any or all that information as CBI. EPA will not disclose information so marked, except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A second copy of such comments, with the CBI deleted, also must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. EPA may publicly disclose without prior notice information not marked confidential.

Documents considered and relied upon by EPA pertaining to this notice, and all written comments filed pursuant

to this notice will be available for public inspection in room 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays.

A record has been established for this notice under docket number [OPP-64031] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in room 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:
opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov.

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, as described above will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA will transfer all comments received electronically into printed, paper form as they are received and will place the paper copies in the official record, which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official rulemaking record is the paper record maintained at the Virginia address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this notice.

IV. Existing Stocks

Before submitting the March 14, 1996 amendment applications, Rhone-Poulenc AG Company agreed to relabel all existing stocks of iprodione products that were packaged and labeled, but had not been released for shipment, as of the date of approval of the label amendments. In a letter dated April 15, 1996, EPA accepted a Rhone-Poulenc AG Company proposal for relabeling iprodione products that were already in the channels of trade. EPA specified that all stocks of iprodione products held in warehouses were to be relabeled by May 31, 1996. Stocks held by distributors in specified states were also to be relabeled. EPA required that all iprodione products in channels of trade were to bear the new labels after May 31, 1996. Any iprodione product that does not bear the new labels after May 31, 1996 will be considered misbranded

under section 2(q) of FIFRA. Under section 12(a)(1) of FIFRA, sale of misbranded products violates the Act. On June 11, 1996, Rhone-Poulenc AG Company notified EPA that the relabeling program had been completed as specified.

V. Proposed Use Deletion/Cancellation Order

The following Use Deletion/Cancellation Order and Approval of Rhone-Poulenc AG Company's request for the deletion of the use of iprodione on cowpeas will take effect on October 7, 1996 unless EPA publishes a notice in the Federal Register before that date modifying the proposed order. I approve Rhone-Poulenc AG Company's request for deletion of cowpeas from iprodione products 264-453, 264-482 and 264-524, effective October 7 1996.

List of Subjects

Environmental Protection,
Agricultural Commodities, Pesticides
and pests.

Dated: July 30, 1996.

Daniel M. Barolo,
Director, Office of Pesticide Programs
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Pesticide Tolerance Petitions; Notice of Filings

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces initial filings of pesticide petitions (PP) and food/feed additive petitions (FAP) proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various agricultural commodities.

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket number [PF-667], must be received on or before September 6, 1996.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments to: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Offices of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 1132, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson-Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202. Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an