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List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: December 17, 1996.

Peter Caulkins,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPPT-59357; FRL-5581-7]

Certain Chemical; Approval of a Test Marketing Exemption

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces EPA's approval of an application for test marketing exemption (TME) under section 5(h)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and 40 CFR 720.38. EPA has designated this application as TME-97-3. The test marketing conditions are described below.

DATES: This notice becomes effective December 19, 1996. Written comments will be received until January 10, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments, identified by the docket number [OPPT-59357] and the specific TME number [TME 97-3] should be sent to: TSCA nonconfidential center (NCIC), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. NEB-607 (7407), 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD (202) 554-0551.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: ncic@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 in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by [OPPT-59357]. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on these notices may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found under "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Darlene Jones, New Chemicals Branch, Chemical Control Division (7405), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-447, 401 M St. SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-2279; jones.darlene@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 5(h)(1) of TSCA authorizes EPA to exempt persons from premanufacture notification (PMN) requirements and permit them to manufacture or import new chemical substances for test marketing purposes if the Agency finds that the manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, use, and disposal of the substances for test marketing purposes will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment. EPA may impose restrictions on test marketing activities and may modify or revoke a test marketing exemption upon receipt of new information which casts significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activity will not present an unreasonable risk of injury.

EPA hereby approves TME-97-3. EPA has determined that test marketing of the new chemical substance described below, under the conditions set out in the TME application, and for the time period and restrictions specified below, will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment. Production volume, use, and the number of customers must not exceed that specified in the application. All other conditions and restrictions described in the application and in this notice must be met.

A notice of receipt of the application was not published in advance of approval. Therefore, an opportunity to submit comments is being offered at this time. EPA may modify or revoke the test marketing exemption if comments are received which cast significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activities will not present an unreasonable risk of injury.

The following additional restrictions apply to TME-97-3. A bill of lading accompanying each shipment must state that the use of the substance is restricted to that approved in the TME. In addition, the Company shall maintain the following records until 5 years after the date they are created, and shall make them available for inspection or copying in accordance with section 11 of TSCA:

1. The applicant must maintain records of the quantity of the TME substance produced and the date of manufacture.
2. The applicant must maintain records of dates of the shipments to

each customer and the quantities supplied in each shipment.

3. The applicant must maintain copies of the bill of lading that accompanies each shipment of the TME substance.

TME-97-3.

Date of Receipt: October 30, 1996.

Close of Review Period: December 20, 1996 (inclusive of a voluntary suspension). The extended comment period will close January 10, 1997.

Applicant: Confidential.

Chemical: (G) Ammonium Benzophenonecarboxylate.

Use: (G) Dispersing Agent.

Production Volume: Confidential.

Number of Customers: Confidential.

Test Marketing Period: Confidential.

Risk Assessment: EPA identified no significant human health or environmental concerns. Therefore, the test market activities will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

The Agency reserves the right to rescind approval or modify the conditions and restrictions of an exemption should any new information come to its attention which casts significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activities will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

A record has been established for this notice under docket number OPPT-59357 (including comments and data submitted electronically as described above). A public version of this record, including printed page versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in the TSCA nonconfidential information center (NCIC), Rm. NEB-607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

The official records for these notices, 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 record is the paper record maintained at the address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Test marketing exemption.

Dated: December 19, 1996.

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 Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*
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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

RIN 3046-AA45

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Request

AGENCY: Equal Employment
 Opportunity Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 5, the Commission announces that it intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for an extension without change the existing collection requirements under 29 CFR Part 1602 *et seq.*, Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirement under Title VII and the ADA. The Commission is seeking public comments on the proposed extension.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be submitted on or before February 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to Frances M. Hart, Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10th Floor, 1801 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20507. As a convenience to commentators, the Executive Secretariat will accept comments transmitted by facsimile ("FAX") machine. The telephone number of the FAX receiver is (202) 7663-4114. (This is not a toll free number.) Only comments of six or fewer pages will be accepted via FAX transmittal. This limitation is necessary to assure access to the equipment. Receipt of FAX transmittals will not be acknowledged, except that the sender may request confirmation of receipt by calling the Executive Secretariat staff at (202) 663-4078 (voice) or (202) 663-4074 (TDD). (These are not toll free telephone numbers.) Copies of comments submitted by the public will be available for review at the Commission's library, Room 6502, 1801 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20507 between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Nicholas M. Inzeo, Deputy Legal
 Counsel, Thomas J. Schlageter, Assistant

Legal Counsel or Stephanie D. Garner, Senior Attorney, at (202) 663-4670 or TDD (202) 663-7026. This notice is also available in the following formats: large print, braille, audio tape and electronic file on computer disk. Requests for this notice in an alternative format should be made to the Publications Center at 1-800-669-3362.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) enforces Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability. Sections 709(c) of Title VII and section 107(a) of the ADA authorize the EEOC to issue recordkeeping and reporting regulations that are deemed reasonable, necessary or appropriate. EEOC has promulgated recordkeeping regulations under those authorities that are contained in 29 CFR 1602. Those regulations do not require the creation of any particular records but generally require employers to preserve any personnel and employment records it makes or keeps for a period of one year. The EEOC seeks extension of these regulations without change.

Collection Title: Recordkeeping and Reporting under Title VII and the ADA.

OMB Control Number: 3046-0040.

Description of Affected Public:

Employers with 15 or more employees are subject to Title VII and the ADA.

Responses: 627,000

Reporting Hours: One

Federal Cost: None

Number of Forms: None

Abstract: Section 709(c) of Title VII, 42 U.S.C. 2000e-8(c) and section 107(a) of the ADA, 42 U.S.C. 12117(a) require the Commission to establish regulations pursuant to which employers subject to those Acts shall make and preserve certain records to assist the EEOC in assuring compliance with the Acts' nondiscrimination requirements in employment.

This is a recordkeeping requirement. Any of the records maintained which are subsequently disclosed to the EEOC during an investigation are protected from public disclosure by the confidentiality provisions of section 706(b) and 709(e) of Title VII because they are incorporated by reference into the ADA at section 107(a).

Burden Statement: The EEOC estimates that there will be no increased burden on employers. All employers subject to Title VII are subject to the ADA, and the same EEOC records retention requirements are applicable to both. As all employers with 15 or more employees are already required by the

EEOC's Title VII regulations on recordkeeping to maintain the same records, and the extension does not require reports or the creation or maintenance of new documents, there is no increased burden.

Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, and OMB regulation 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), the Commission solicits public comment to enable it to:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Dated: December 19, 1996.

For the Commission.

Maria Borrero,

Executive Director.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[FCC 96-469]

Procedures for Bell Operating Company Applications Under New Section 271 of the Communications Act

AGENCY: Federal Communications
 Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission has released a Public Notice which establishes various procedural requirements and policies relating to the Commission's processing of Bell operating company applications to provide in-region, interLATA services pursuant to new section 271 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 271 (Act). Section 271 provides for applications on a State-by-State basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Florence Grasso, Common Carrier
 Bureau, Policy and Program Planning
 Division. (202) 418-1580.