

within the injection zone for the next 10,000 years is valid and results of the simulation bound the region of the injection zone within which the waste will be contained.

Valerie J. Jones,

Acting Director, Water Division, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6981-8]

Gulf of Mexico Program Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Act, Public Law 92463, EPA gives notice of a Meeting of the Gulf of Mexico Program (GMP) Citizens Advisory Committee.

DATES: The Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2001, from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, June 13, 2001, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Florida Marine Research Institute, 100 8th Avenue, S.E., St. Petersburg, FL, (727) 896-8626 ext. 2010

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gloria D. Car, Designated Federal Officer, Gulf of Mexico Program Office, Building 1103, Room 202, Stennis Space Center, MS 39529-6000 at (228) 688-2421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposed agenda is attached.

The meeting is open to the public.

Dated: May 11, 2001.

Gloria D. Car,

Designated Federal Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-66287; FRL-6784-3]

Benomyl; Receipt of Request for Registration Cancellations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a

notice of receipt of request by E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) to cancel the registrations for all of their products containing methyl 1-(butylcarbamoyl)-2-benzimidazole carbamate (benomyl). EPA will decide whether to approve the request after consideration of public comment.

DATES: Comments on the requested cancellation of product and use registrations must be submitted to the address provided below by June 22, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Demson Fuller, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8062; fax number: (703) 308-7042; e-mail address: fuller.demson@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. Although this action may be of particular interest to persons who produce or use pesticides, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the information in this notice, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the **Federal Register**—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-66287. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in

those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-66287 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically by e-mail to: opp-docket@epa.gov, or you can submit a computer disk as described above. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPP-66287. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

D. How Should I Handle CBI that I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or

all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice or collection activity.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the

name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. What Action is the Agency Taking

This notice announces receipt by the Agency of request from E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company to cancel eight pesticide products registered under sections 3 and 24(c) of FIFRA. These registrations are listed in Table 1.

A. Background Information

Benomyl is a benzimidazole carbamate and systemic foliar fungicide registered for use on almonds, apples, anise, apricots, asparagus, avocado, banana, barley, bean vine, blueberries, brassica (broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, chicory, chinese cabbage, cauliflower, collards, kale, kohlrabi, mustard greens, rutabagas, and turnips), caneberries (dewberries, blackberries, boysenberries, loganberries, and raspberries), cardoon, carrots, celery, cherries, citrus, conifers, corn, cucurbits (cucumber, melons, pumpkins, and squash), currants, dandelions, dill, figs, grapes, macadamia nuts, mangoes, mushrooms, nectarines, onions, oats, papayas, peaches, peanuts, pears, peas, pecans, peppers, pineapple, pistachio, plums, prunes, rape, rice, rye, soybeans, spinach, strawberry, sugar beets, tomatoes, wheat, and yams.

Dupont met with the Agency on April 18, 2001, and requested a voluntary cancellation of all their registrations for products containing benomyl, to be effective December 31, 2001. Dupont stated that this decision was based on business reasons. They submitted this request in writing in a letter dated April 18, 2001.

On May 1, 2001, Dupont submitted a second letter requesting that the

effective date of cancellation be moved from December 31, 2001, to May 1, 2001. Under 6(f)(1)(C), a registrant can waive the 180-day comment period for minor uses, however 6(f)(1)(B) requires that the Agency provide for a 30-day comment period before acting on any 6(f) request. Therefore, EPA notes that it cannot grant a cancellation request until the requisite public comment period expires and EPA has considered all public comments received.

B. Requests for Voluntary Cancellation

Under section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, registrants may request, at any time, that their pesticide registrations be canceled or amended to terminate one or more pesticide uses. Section 6(f)(1)(B) of FIFRA requires that before acting on a request for voluntary cancellation, EPA must provide a 30-day public comment period on the request for voluntary cancellation. In addition, section 6(f)(1)(C) of FIFRA requires that EPA provide a 180-day comment period on a request for voluntary termination of any minor agricultural use before granting the request, unless (1) the registrants request a waiver of the comment period, or (2) the Administrator determines that continued use of the pesticide would pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment. The registrant has requested that EPA waive the 180-day comment period. EPA is granting the registrants' request to waive the 180-day comment period. EPA anticipates granting the cancellation request shortly after the end of the 30-day comment period for this notice. The registrations for which cancellations were requested are identified in the following table.

TABLE 1.—REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION

Company	Reg. No	Product
E.I. duPont deNemours and Company	352–354 352–377 352–385 352–564	Dupont Benlate® Fungicide Benomyl Technical Dupont Benlate® OD Fungicide Dupont Benlate® SP Fungicide

Additionally, cancellation is requested for the following DuPont Special Local Need (SLN) Registrations:

TABLE 2.—SLN REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION

SLN Number	Crop	Reg. No	Product
AZ–930015 VT–770005 WA–000009 WA–770040	Onions Apples Asparagus Crowns Asparagus Crowns	352–354 352–354 352–564 352–354	Dupont Benlate® Fungicide Dupont Benlate® Fungicide Dupont Benlate® SP Fungicide Dupont Benlate® Fungicide

III. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may at any time request that any of its pesticide registrations be canceled. FIFRA section 6(f)(1) further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**, make reasonable efforts to inform persons who rely on the pesticide for minor agricultural uses, and provide a 30-day period in which the public may comment. Thereafter, the Administrator may approve such a request.

IV. Procedures for Withdrawal of Request

Registrants who choose to withdraw a request for cancellation must submit such withdrawal in writing to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. This written withdrawal of the request for cancellation will apply only to the applicable FIFRA section 6(f)(1) request listed in this notice. If the product(s) have been subject to a previous cancellation action, the effective date of cancellation and all other provisions of any earlier cancellation action are controlling. The withdrawal request must also include a commitment to pay any reregistration fees due, and to fulfill any applicable unsatisfied data requirements.

V. Provisions for Disposition of Existing Stocks

The effective date of cancellation will be the date of the cancellation order. The orders effecting these requested cancellations will generally permit a registrant to sell or distribute existing stocks for 1-year after the date the cancellation request was received. This policy is in accordance with the Agency's statement of policy as prescribed in the **Federal Register** of June 26, 1991 (56 FR 29362) (FRL-3846-4). Exceptions to this general rule will be made if a product poses a risk concern, or is in noncompliance with reregistration requirements, or is subject to a Data Call-In. In all cases, product-specific disposition dates will be given in the cancellation orders.

Existing stocks are those stocks of registered pesticide products which are currently in the United States and which have been packaged, labeled, and released for shipment prior to the effective date of the cancellation action. Unless the provisions of an earlier order apply, existing stocks already in the hands of dealers or users can be distributed, sold, or used legally until

they are exhausted, provided that such further sale and use comply with the EPA-approved label and labeling of the affected product. Exception to these general rules will be made in specific cases when more stringent restrictions on sale, distribution, or use of the products or their ingredients have already been imposed, as in a Special Review action, or where the Agency has identified significant potential risk concerns associated with a particular chemical.

Dupont stated in their April 18, 2001 letter, that it would not sell or distribute any of the canceled products following the date of cancellation and requested that EPA permit sale of existing stocks of products in the channels of trade until December 31, 2002, as permitted under FIFRA section 6(a)(1). In their May 1, 2001 letter, Dupont proposed that they be permitted to sell and distribute stocks of canceled products until June 30, 2001. Dupont did not request a change in date of December 31, 2002, for existing stocks of products in the channels of trade. EPA anticipates granting these requests.

VI. Future Tolerance Revocations.

EPA anticipates drafting a future **Federal Register** notice proposing revocation of tolerances on commodities on which there has been no registered uses of benomyl. With this notice, EPA seeks comment as to whether any individuals or groups want to support continuation of these tolerances.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: May 10, 2001.

Jack E. Housenger,

Acting Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-100170; FRL-6782-4]

Eastern Research Group, Inc.; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that pesticide-related information submitted to EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) pursuant to the Federal

Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), including information that may have been claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) by the summiteer, will be transferred to Eastern Research Group, Inc. in accordance with 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2). Eastern Research Group, Inc. has been awarded a contract to perform work for OPP, and access to this information will enable Eastern Research Group, Inc. to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: Eastern Research Group, Inc. will be given access to this information on or before May 29, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Erik R. Johnson, FIFRA Security Officer, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-7248; e-mail address: johnson.erik@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

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II. Contractor Requirements

Under contract number GS-10F-0036F, the contractor will perform the following:

The contractor shall revise the draft Pesticide Fate Database that was prepared under a previous contract. Revisions may include changes in the database relational structure and format for the Fish Accumulation and the Field