

published in the **Federal Register** at 64 FR 31358 on June 10, 1999. The proposed settlement provides for EPA to propose revisions to the rule that would amend some of the emission standards and make other clarifications.

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the settlement from persons who were not named as parties to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withhold or withdraw consent to the proposed settlement if the comments disclose facts or circumstances that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act. Copies of the settlement are available from Samantha Hooks (202) 564-5569. Written comments should be sent to Patricia Embrey, Office of General Counsel (2344R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, and must be submitted on or before August 31, 2001.

Dated: July 25, 2001.

Alan W. Eckert,

Associate General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-100175; FRL-6795-6]

Visual Language Interpreting and Subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants 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 submitter, will be transferred to Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., in accordance with 40 CFR 2.30(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2). Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., have been awarded a contract to perform work for OPP, and access to this information will enable Visual Language Interpreting and

subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., will be given access to this information on or before August 6, 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

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action applies to the public in general. As such, 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 applicability of this action to a particular entity, 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?

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," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," 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/>.

II. Contractor Requirements

Under Contract No. 68-W9-9005/003, Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., will perform the following based on the statement of work:

The Contractor shall furnish the necessary personnel, material, equipment, services, and facilities to perform the statement of work specifications. This contract and other vehicles provides OPP with sign language support services for the hearing impaired/deaf personnel assigned to the office. The sign language personnel will report to the EPA Headquarters Interpreting Coordinator, also identified

as the Project Officer under this contract, who will orient interpreters, assign work, monitor contractor performance and approve invoices per occurrence.

FIFRA CBI may be discussed during various meetings, seminars, and with other cleared employees which would require the services of the sign language support services to interpret and sign to EPA hearing impaired/deaf personnel.

OPP has determined that access by Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., to information on all pesticide chemicals is necessary for the performance of this contract.

Some of this information may be entitled to confidential treatment. The information has been submitted to EPA under sections 3, 4, 6, and 7 of FIFRA and under sections 408 and 409 of FFDCA.

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(2), the contract with Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., prohibits use of the information for any purpose not specified in the contract; prohibits disclosure of the information to a third party without prior written approval from the Agency; and requires that each official and employee of the contractor sign an agreement to protect the information from unauthorized release and to handle it in accordance with the FIFRA Information Security Manual. In addition, Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., are required to submit for EPA approval a security plan under which any CBI will be secured and protected against unauthorized release or compromise. No information will be provided to Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., until the requirements in this document have been fully satisfied. Records of information provided to Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., will be maintained by EPA Project Officers for this contract. All information supplied to Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., by EPA for use in connection with this contract will be returned to EPA when Visual Language Interpreting and subcontractors, Signing Hands and Stuart B. Consultants, Inc., have completed their work.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Business and industry, Government contracts, Government property, Security measures.

Dated: July 23, 2001.

Richard D. Schmitt,

Director, Information Resources and Services Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34244; FRL-6789-9]

Pesticides; Availability of Risk Assessments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of risk assessments that were developed as part of EPA's process for making pesticide Reregistration Eligibility Decisions (REDs) and tolerance reassessments consistent with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA). These risk assessments are the human health and environmental fate and effects risk assessments and related documents for thiabendazole and salts. This notice also starts a 60-day public comment period for the risk assessments. By allowing access and opportunity for comment on the risk assessments, EPA is seeking to strengthen stakeholder involvement and help ensure decisions made under FQPA are transparent and based on the best available information. The tolerance reassessment process will ensure that the United States continues to have the safest and most abundant food supply.

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket control number OPP-34244 for thiabendazole and salts, must be received on or before October 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit II. of the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-34244 for thiabendazole and salts in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lorilyn Montford, Special Review and

Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8170; e-mail address: montford.lorilyn@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. General Information****A. Does this Action Apply to Me?**

This action is directed to the public in general, nevertheless, a wide range of stakeholders will be interested in obtaining the risk assessments for thiabendazole and salts, including environmental, human health, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the use of pesticides on food. Since other entities also may be interested, 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 applicability of this action to a particular entity, 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?

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2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control numbers OPP-34244. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, 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.

II. How Can I Respond to this Action?**A. 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 for the specific chemical of interest in the subject line on the first page of your response.

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

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division, Office of Pesticide Programs, 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.* Submit electronic comments by e-mail to: opp-docket@epa.gov or you can submit a computer disk as described in this unit. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. 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 standard computer disks in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0/9.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number of the chemical of specific interest. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

B. How Should I Handle CBI Information 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