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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Rajani D. Joglekar, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, (202) 564-9310, or call EPA's 24-hour, toll-free WIPP Information Line, 1-800-331-WIPP, or visit our website at <http://www.epa.gov/radiation/wipp/announce.html>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See 66 FR 45679-80, August 29, 2001.

Dated: September 26, 2001.

**Robert Brenner,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00728; FRL-6790-4]

### Public Report on Minor Use Pesticides; Notice of Availability

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA hereby announces the availability of a public report prepared by the Office of Pesticide Programs on minor uses of pesticides pursuant to requirements of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996. This report includes descriptions of measures that EPA, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Department of Health and Human Resources, and the Food and Drug Administration, has undertaken to consider minor use needs in registering and reregistering minor use pesticides.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Cimino, Office Director's Immediate Office (7501C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-9357; fax number: (703) 308-4776; e-mail address: [cimino.pat@epa.gov](mailto:cimino.pat@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. General Information

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to crop producers, public health vector control programs and

those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also 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**.

#### II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

In amending FIFRA, the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 includes a directive for the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) to prepare a public report concerning the progress made and activities related to the registration and reregistration of minor use pesticides (7 U.S.C. 136w-6b (FIFRA section 31(b))). With this document, EPA is announcing the availability of the public report prepared by OPP pursuant to this directive.

The Report describes EPA's minor use activities since enactment of FQPA. These include establishment of the position of Minor Crop Advisor/Ombudsperson reporting directly to the OPP Director and creation of the Minor Use Team composed of representatives from each of the relevant OPP divisions. Other important activities include expedited registration of minor use and reduced risk pesticides with increasing numbers of registration decisions being made. Also, EPA established the position of Public Health Coordinator and a steering committee to address public health minor use issues. The report addresses issues raised by the public: Maintaining an adequate supply of effective pesticides; retaining critically needed pesticide uses; relying on sound science and real world data in making decisions; establishing a transparent regulatory process; ensuring a reasonable transition for agriculture to new methods and alternatives; maintaining a level playing field in world markets, increasing outreach and communications. The report specifies the significant progress that EPA has made in addressing these issues.

#### III. How Can I Get A Copy of this Report?

1. *Electronically.* You may access an electronic copy of this report through the OPP Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Pesticide Use," and under this select "Minor Use Report."

2. *By mail.* You may submit a request to have this document mailed to you by submitting a written request to the 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. You may also contact the contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Minor crops, IR-4, Pesticides, Public health vector control programs.

Dated: August 30, 2001.

**Marcia E. Mulkey,**

*Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket No. FRL-7072-5]

### Availability of "Guidelines for Implementing the Three Percent Set-Aside Provision Contained in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants Account Section of the Agency's FY 2001 Appropriations Act"

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is announcing availability of a memorandum entitled "Guidelines for Implementing the Three Percent Set-Aside Provision Contained in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants Account Section of the Agency's FY 2001 Appropriations Act." This memorandum provides information and guidelines on how EPA will implement the three percent set-aside provision contained in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) account section of the Agency's FY 2001 Appropriations Act (Public Law 106-377). The provision authorizes EPA to establish a permanent set-aside to support the Agency's management and oversight of projects identified in the STAG account of FY 2001 and subsequent Appropriations Acts. The set-aside can only be used to fund grants to the States, interagency agreements with the Corps of Engineers and contracts. The Corps of Engineers and State agencies will receive a copy of this document from EPA.

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access of the guidance memorandum.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Valerie G. Martin, (202) 564-0623 or martin.Valerie@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject memorandum may be viewed and downloaded at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/mab/owm0318.pdf>.

Dated: September 29, 2001.

**Michael B. Cook,**

*Director, Office of Wastewater Management.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7070-1]

### Public Water System Supervision Program Revision for the State of Nebraska

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of tentative approval.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the State of Nebraska is revising its approved Public Water System Supervision Program. The State of Nebraska has adopted drinking water regulations requiring Consumer Confidence Reporting, that correspond to federal regulations published by EPA on August 19, 1998 (63 FR 44512). EPA has determined that this revision is no less stringent than the corresponding federal regulation. Therefore, EPA intends to approve this State program revision.

All interested parties may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be submitted by November 2, 2001 to the Regional Administrator at the address shown below. Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the Regional Administrator. However, if there is a substantial request, a public hearing will be held. If no timely and appropriate request for a hearing is received and the Regional Administrator does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become final and effective on November 2, 2001.

Any request for a public hearing shall include the following information: The name, address, and telephone number of the individual organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; A brief statement of the requesting person's interest in the Regional Administrator's determination and a brief statement of the information that the requesting person intends to submit at such hearing; The signature of the individual making the request, or, if the request is

made on behalf of an organization or other entity, the signature of a responsible official of the organization or other entity.

**ADDRESSES:** All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection between the hours of 8 a.m., and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the following office: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7, Drinking Water / Ground Water Management Branch, 901 N. Fifth Street, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Crystal Harriel at (913) 551-7261.

Reference: The Safe Drinking Water Act as amended (1996), and 40 CFR part 142 of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations.

Dated: August 30, 2001.

**William W. Rice,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.*

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## COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### Energy Task Force

**AGENCY:** Council of Environmental Quality.

**ACTION:** Notice extending comment period.

**SUMMARY:** By **Federal Register** notice, CEQ has invited interested parties to (1) provide basic information about major pending projects or major projects under development that may be relevant to Task Force efforts to streamline energy permitting decisions and (2) comment on the proposed nature and scope of Task Force activities and provide specific suggestions and examples of permitting or other decision making processes which should be improved or streamlined. 66 Fed. Reg. 43586-43587 (August 20, 2001). Interested parties have requested that CEQ extend the time to file comments. The deadline for comments was October 1, 2001. By this notice, CEQ is extending the time period for public comment to October 31, 2001. Although the time for comments has been extended, CEQ requests that interested parties provide information about major pending projects or major projects under development as soon as possible. In addition, following the comment period, the Task Force will engage in an ongoing dialog with the public regarding permitting or other decision making processes which should be improved or streamlined.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before October 31, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct electronic written comments to Chair, Council on Environmental Quality, through the CEQ Web site at [www.whitehouse.gov/ceq](http://www.whitehouse.gov/ceq). Written comments may also be submitted to the Chair, Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President, 17th and G Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20503. Attention: Task Force. Written comments may also be faxed to the Task Force at (202) 456-6546.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for copies the "National Energy Policy Report of the National Energy Policy Development Group" may be directed to CEQ at the above address. The report is available on the White House Web site (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/energy/National-Energy-Policy.pdf>) and on the Department of Energy Web site [http://www.energy.gov/HQPress/releases01/maypr/energy\\_policy.htm](http://www.energy.gov/HQPress/releases01/maypr/energy_policy.htm)). Copies of the report (ISBN 0-16-050814-2) can also be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, by calling (202) 512-1800 or mailing your request to U.S. GPO, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-0001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 18, 2001, the President signed Executive Order 13212 recognizing the importance of environmentally sound production and transmission of energy to all American people. The Order established a federal interagency task force ("Task Force"), chaired by the Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ"), to work with and monitor federal agencies' efforts to expedite their review of permits or take other actions as necessary to accelerate the completion of energy-related projects, while maintaining safety, public health, and environmental protections. That task force is also charged with helping agencies create mechanisms to coordinate Federal, State, tribal and local permitting in geographic areas where increased permitting activity is expected.

In order to further the work of this task force, CEQ believes that it would be beneficial to have public input on federal agency activities to implement Executive Order 13212. Such input may include recommendations for improving agency activities, consistent with the purposes and policies of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, (1) to accelerate the completion of energy-related projects; (2) to increase energy production and