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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shaja R. Brothers, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (703) 308–3194; e-mail address: brothers.shaja@epa.gov.

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- viii. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

EPA is printing a summary of each pesticide petition received under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, proposing the establishment or amendment of regulations in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities. EPA has determined that this pesticide petition contains data or information regarding the elements set forth in FFDCA section 408(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data support granting of the pesticide petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on this pesticide petition.

Pursuant to 40 ČFR 180.7(f), a summary of the petition included in this notice, prepared by the petitioner along with a description of the analytical method available for the detection and measurement of the pesticide chemical residues is available on EPA's Electronic Docket at http://www.regulations.gov/. To locate this information on the home page of EPA's Electronic Docket, select "Quick Search" and type the OPP

docket ID number. Once the search has located the docket, clicking on the "Docket ID" will bring up a list of all documents in the docket for the pesticide including the petition summary.New TolerancePP 4E6853. Interregional Project Number 4 (IR4), 681 Highway 1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902–3390, proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the herbicide phenmedipham (3methoxycarbonylaminophenyl-3methylcarbanilate) in or on food commodity spinach at 4.0 parts per million (ppm). The summary petition was prepared by Bayer CropScience, P. O. Box 12014, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. An analytical method has been developed and validated for the determination of phenmedipham in or on spinach. Phenmedipham is extracted from spinach, cleaned-up with florisil, and quantified by high performance liquid chromatography with ultra-violet detection (HPLC-UV). No analytical method for the determination of phenmedipham in animal is needed since tolerances for residues in meat, milk, poultry and eggs are not required. Therefore, adequate analytical methodology is available for enforcement purpose and it allows detection of residues at or above the proposed tolerances.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 3, 2006.

Meredith F. Laws,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0179; FRL-7773-4]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for Establishment or Amendment to Regulations for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment or amendment of regulations for residues

of pesticide chemicals in or on various commodities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 12, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0179 and pesticide petition number PP 6E7036, by one of the following methods:

• http://www.regulations.gov/. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

• Mail: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB) (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

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Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0179. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available on-line at http:// www.regulations.gov/, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or email. The regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going at regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be captured automatically and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification,

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New Tolerance

PP 6E7036. Interregional Project Number 4, 681 Highway 1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-3390, proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the fungicide tebuconazole, alpha-[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)ethyl]-alpha-(1,1dimethylethyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1ethanol in or on food commodity asparagus at 0.02 parts per million. An enforcement method for plant commodities has been validated on various commodities. It has undergone successful EPA validation and has been submitted for inclusion in PAM II. The animal method has also been approved as an adequate enforcement method.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 3, 2006.

Meredith F. Laws,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0024: FRL-7765 -7]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for Establishment of Regulations for Residues of Difenoconazole in or on Various Commodities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of difenoconazole in or on various commodities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 12, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0024 and pesticide petition numbers (PPs) 9E5076, 0F6155, 6F4748, and 8F4953, by one of the following methods:

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