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The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the South Carolina Department of Fertilizer and Pesticide Control.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, pesticides and pests, emergency exemptions.

Dated: February 2, 1996.

Stephen L. Johnson,

*Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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[PP 3G4263/T685; FRL 5348-4]

#### Fipronil; Renewal of a Temporary Tolerance

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has renewed a temporary tolerance for combined residues of the insecticide fipronil or its metabolites in or on the raw agricultural commodity field corn grain at 0.02 parts per million (ppm).

**DATES:** This temporary tolerance expires March 28, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Richard Keigwin, Product Manager (PM) 10, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 210, CM#2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-

6788; e-mail:

keigwin.richard@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA issued a notice published in the Federal Register of May 17, 1995 (60 FR 26434), stating that a temporary tolerance had been established for combined residues of the insecticide fipronil (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulphonyl pyrazole) or its metabolites MB 46136 (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulphonyl pyrazole) or MB 45950 (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylthiopyrazole) in or on the raw agricultural commodity field corn grain at 0.02 parts per million (ppm). This tolerance is renewed in response to a request dated November 15, 1995, to extend Pesticide Petition (PP) 3G4263, submitted by Rhone Poulenc AG Company, P.O. Box 12014, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2014.

The company has requested a 1-year renewal of a temporary tolerance for residues of the insecticide to permit the continued marketing of the above raw agricultural commodity when treated in accordance with the provisions of the experimental use permit 264-EUP-95, which is being renewed under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended (Pub. L. 95-396, 92 Stat. 819; 7 U.S.C. 136).

The scientific data reported and other relevant material were evaluated, and it was determined that a renewal of the temporary tolerance will protect the public health. Therefore, the temporary tolerance has been renewed on the condition that the pesticide be used in accordance with the experimental use permit and with the following provisions:

1. The total amount of the active ingredient to be used must not exceed the quantity authorized by the experimental use permit.
2. Rhone Poulenc AG Company must immediately notify the EPA of any findings from the experimental use that have a bearing on safety. The company must also keep records of production, distribution, and performance and on request make the records available to any authorized officer or employee of the EPA or the Food and Drug Administration.

This tolerance expires March 28, 1997. Residues not in excess of this amount remaining in or on the above raw agricultural commodity after this expiration date will not be considered

actionable if the pesticide is legally applied during the term of, and in accordance with, the provisions of the experimental use permit and temporary tolerance. This tolerance may be revoked if the experimental use permit is revoked or if any experience with or scientific data on this pesticide indicate that such revocation is necessary to protect the public health.

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this notice from the requirements of section 3 of Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a(j).

#### List of Subjects

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

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Stephen L. Johnson,

*Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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[PF644; FRL-5347-8]

#### Exemption From the Requirement of Temporary Tolerances for Trichodex (or ABG-8007)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Receipt of Petition.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has received a petition (PP 6G4622) for an exemption from the requirement of temporary tolerances in or on all raw agricultural commodities which have been treated with Trichodex (or ABG-8007). This petition is associated with a request for an Experimental Use Permit (11678-EUP-R) for the subject pesticide, and is considered to be of regional and/or national significance.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted to EPA by March 29, 1996. **ADDRESSES:** By mail, comments should be forwarded to Public Response and

Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this document may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments will be available for public inspection at the address and hours given above.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@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 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number [PF644]. No CBI should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this document may be filed online at many Federal Depository Library. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found below in this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shanaz Bacchus, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7501W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: 5th Floor, CS #1, 2805 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, (703)-308-8097; e-mail: bacchus.shanaz@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*PP 6G4622.* This notice announces that EPA has received from Makhteshim Chemical Works Ltd., c/o Makhteshim-Agan of North America Inc., 551 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1100, New York, NY 10176, a notice of filing under section 408 of the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 346a) for pesticide petition (PP) 6G4622 to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish an exemption from the requirement of a temporary tolerance for the microbial pesticide Trichodex in or on all raw agricultural commodities. This microbial pesticide is also referred to as ABG-8007. It contains dried

fermentation solids and solubles resulting from fermentation of *Trichoderma harzianum* isolate T-39, containing T-39 fungus propagules as either conidia or mycelia. The petition is associated with an application for an Experimental Use Permit (11678-EUP-R) for a 2-year non-crop destruct program.

A record has been established for this notice of receipt under docket number [PF644] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in Room 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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**List of subjects**

Environmental protection, Temporary tolerances, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: February 12, 1996.

Janet L. Andersen,

*Acting Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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[FRL-5431-4]

**PCBs: Cancer Dose-Response Assessment and Application to Environmental Mixtures**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of a report titled, PCBs' Cancer Dose-Response Assessment and Assessment and Application to Environmental Mixtures, External Review Draft, (EPA/600/P-96/001A). The National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) of the Office of Research and Development developed this report, which is an external draft for review purposes only and does not constitute U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) policy. The report will not have official status or receive clearance as an EPA document until after peer review has taken place. The document is being made available at this time because of public interest in PCBs.

**ADDRESSES:** The document will be available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/docs/ORD> or for purchase from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161; telephone 703-487-4650; facsimile 703-321-8547. The NTIS order number is PB96-140603; the price is \$19.50 for paper and \$9.00 for microfiche. Copies will be available for inspection at the EPA libraries. The EPA Headquarters Library is located at 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC; the library is open Monday through Friday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., except for Federal holidays. Unfortunately, due to budget restrictions, printed copies of the document are not available from the National Center for Environmental Assessment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Jim Coglian, National Center for Environmental Assessment/Washington Office (8602), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington DC 20460. Telephone: 202-260-3830; facsimile: 202-260-3803; E-mail: [coglian.jim@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:coglian.jim@epamail.epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The draft report updates the cancer dose-response assessment for PCBs and shows how information on toxicity, disposition, and environmental processes can be considered together to evaluate health risks from PCB mixtures in the environment. Guidance is given on applying the assessment to environment mixtures, different exposure routes, partial lifetime exposure, and mixtures containing dioxin-like compounds. In