

6. How do you anticipate making your efforts useful to other States seeking to build capacity to provide small community environmental compliance assistance?

#### Selection and Awards Process

EPA's Office of Compliance will assess how well the small community assistance efforts described by a pre-proposal satisfy the criteria of the Policy. The Office of Compliance will also consider the extent to which the proposed efforts can be expected to produce long-term benefits by developing lasting mechanisms to increase the administrative, technical, and financial capacity of small communities. Matching resources from a State will be interpreted as an indication of the State's commitment to creating a sustainable program. The Office of Compliance hopes to identify State efforts whose successes may serve as models to other States.

After determining which pre-proposals have the most merit, the Office of Compliance will consult with the appropriate EPA Regional Offices before making its selection. EPA will make every effort to complete the selection process and notify the individual States selected by July 18, 1997. States will be notified of their selection and asked to prepare a formal grant proposal for submission to the Office of Compliance and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. As part of the formal grant proposal, States will be asked to develop workplans, including specific milestones, for implementing their programs over an initial two year period. EPA intends to complete its review of the formal proposals and award the grants before October 1, 1997.

Dated: May 19, 1997.

**Ken Gigliello,**

*Acting Director, Chemical, Commercial Services, and Municipal Division United States Environmental Protection Agency.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00484; FRL-5723-8]

#### Plant Pesticide Registration Workshop; Open Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Environmental Technology Initiative, EPA will hold a workshop in conjunction with the

National Foundation for Integrated Pest Management Education to explain the process for registering plant pesticides pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended. Industry representatives will also present information on the research, development and commercialization of plant pesticides. There will be an opportunity for questions and comments from the attendees.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on July 17, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and July 18, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, National Airport, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA, and is open to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Laura Sallmen Smith, Office of Pesticide Programs (7501W), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: 5th floor, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA, 703-308-8716; e-mail: sallmen-smith.laura@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As the development and commercialization of plant pesticides matures, the stakeholders involved in this industry need a better understanding of the issues facing the regulators and the regulated community. This understanding can serve to bring these potentially risk-reducing technologies to faster commercialization and use. Through a cooperative agreement with EPA, the National Foundation for Integrated Pest Management Education is sponsoring a workshop to bring EPA's regulators, the seed industry, researchers, plant pesticide registrants, and other interested stakeholders together to develop an understanding of the issues. This agreement was funded by President Clinton's Environmental Technology Initiative, which was designed to encourage public/private cooperation toward the goal of commercializing technologies whose use improves the environment. The conference will consist of formal presentations by EPA, the seed industry and researchers with panel discussions on issues of concern.

The following topics will be covered: plant pesticide registration process; types of studies required for registration and possible exemptions; labeling requirements; seed research and commercialization process. Time will be allotted for questions and open discussion.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: June 3, 1997.

**Kathleen Knox,**

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-30430A; FRL-5721-4]

#### Abbott Laboratories; Approval of Pesticide Product Registrations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces Agency approval of applications submitted by Abbott Laboratories, to conditionally register the pesticide products Retain Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder, ABG-3097 Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder, and ABG-3097 Technical Powder, containing new active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(7)(C) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Denise Greenway, Regulatory Action Leader, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7501W), Office of Pesticide Programs, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Westfield Building North Tower, CS #1, Environmental Protection Agency, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202, 703-308-8263; e-mail: greenway.denise@epamail.epa.gov.

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EPA issued a notice, published in the **Federal Register** of February 26, 1997 (62 FR 8728; FRL-5589-3), which announced that Abbott Laboratories, Dept. 28R, Bldg., A1, 1401 Sheridan Road, North Chicago, IL 60064-4000, had submitted applications to register the pesticide products Retain Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder, ABG-3097 Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder, and ABG-3097 Technical Powder, (EPA File Symbols 275-RRE, 275-IO, and 275-II), containing the active ingredient

aminoethoxyvinylglycine at 15, 86, and 86 percent respectively, active ingredients not included in any previously registered products.

The applications were approved on April 28, 1997, for one technical and two end-use products listed below:

1. Retain Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder for use on apples and pears (EPA Registration Number 275-112).
2. ABG-3097 Plant Growth Regulator Soluble Powder for nonfood greenhouse treatment of miniature carnations, hibiscus, or rooted geranium cuttings and seedlings (EPA Registration Number 275-89).
3. ABG-3097 Technical Powder for formulating into plant regulator end-use products for use on apples, pears, and certain ornamentals (EPA Registration Number 275-88).

A conditional registration may be granted under section 3(c)(7)(C) of FIFRA for a new active ingredient where certain data are lacking, on condition that such data are received by the end of the conditional registration period and do not meet or exceed the risk criteria set forth in 40 CFR 154.7; that use of the pesticide during the conditional registration period will not cause unreasonable adverse effects; and that use of the pesticide is in the public interest.

The Agency has considered the available data on the risks associated with the proposed use of aminoethoxyvinylglycine, and information on social, economic, and environmental benefits to be derived from such use. Specifically, the Agency has considered the nature and its pattern of use, application methods and rates, and level and extent of potential exposure. Based on these reviews, the Agency was able to make basic health and safety determinations which show that use of aminoethoxyvinylglycine during the period of conditional registration will not cause any unreasonable adverse effect on the environment, and that use of the pesticide is in the public interest.

These products are conditionally registered in accordance with FIFRA section 3(c)(7)(C). If the conditions are not complied with the registrations will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e).

Consistent with section 3(c)(7)(C), the Agency has determined that these conditional registrations are in the public interest. Use of the pesticides are of significance to the user community, and appropriate labeling, use directions, and other measures have been taken to ensure that use of the pesticides will not

result in unreasonable adverse effects to man and the environment.

More detailed information on these conditional registrations is contained in an EPA Pesticide Fact Sheet on aminoethoxyvinylglycine.

A copy of the fact sheet, which provides a summary description of the chemical, use patterns and formulations, science findings, and the Agency's regulatory position and rationale, may be obtained from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161.

In accordance with section 3(c)(2) of FIFRA, a copy of the approved label, the list of data references, the data and other scientific information used to support registration, except for material specifically protected by section 10 of FIFRA, are available for public inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 1132, CM #2, Arlington, VA 22202 (703-305-5805). Requests for data must be made in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and must be addressed to the Freedom of Information Office (A-101), 401 M St., SW., Washington, D.C. 20460. Such requests should: (1) Identify the product name and registration number and (2) specify the data or information desired.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 136.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Product registration.

Dated: May 29, 1997.

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

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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#### Certain Companies; Approval of Pesticide Product Registrations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces Agency approval of applications to register the pesticide products Knockdown Brand Roach Bait System,

Bedoukian *trans*-11-Tetradecenyl Acetate Technical Pheromone, and Bedoukian *cis*-11-Tetradecenyl Acetate Technical Pheromone, containing active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(5) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Rita Kumar, 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: Rm. CS51B6, Westfield Building North Tower, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202, (703) 308-8291; e-mail: kumar.rita@epamail.epa.gov.

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EPA issued a notice, published in the **Federal Register** of May 17, 1996 (61 FR 24936; FRL-5367-6), which announced that Woodstream Corporation, 69 N. Locust St., Lititz, PA 17543-0327, had submitted an application to register the pesticide product Victor Roach Bait Station 2 (now known as Knockdown Brand Roach Bait System) (EPA File Symbol 47629-E), containing the new active ingredient German cockroach pheromone at 0.004 percent, which is formulated with boric acid, an active ingredient not included in any previously registered product.

EPA also published a notice in the **Federal Register** of June 19, 1996 (61 FR 31104; FRL-5376-2), which announced that Bedoukian Research, Inc., 21 Finance Drive, Danbury CT 06810-4192, had submitted applications to register the pesticide products Bedoukian *trans*-11-Tetradecenyl Acetate Technical Pheromone and Bedoukian *cis*-11-Tetradecenyl Acetate Technical Pheromone (EPA File Symbols 52991-I and 52991-T) containing the ingredients *trans*-11-tetradecenyl acetate and *cis*-11-tetradecenyl acetate at 90 and 96 percent respectively, active ingredients not included in any previously registered products.

The application for the product Knockdown Brand Roach Bait System (formerly known as Victor Roach Bait Station 2) was approved on November 27, 1996, for use to kill cockroaches in homes and commercial establishments, such as hospitals, restaurants, and schools (EPA Registration Number 47629-2).