

emission testing laboratories, manufacturers and commercial owners (e.g., distributors, retailers).

The information supplied by manufacturers to the Agency is used: (1) To ensure that the best demonstrated technology (BDT) is being used to reduce emissions from wood heaters, (2) to ensure that the wood heater tested for certification purposes is in compliance with the applicable emission standards, (3) to provide evidence that production-line wood heaters have emission performance characteristics similar to tested models and (4) to provide assurance of continued compliance.

Manufacturers submit a notification to the Agency stating the dates of certification testing, perform the certification testing at an accredited laboratory, supply detailed component drawings including manufacturing tolerances to the Agency, reapply for certification every five years, seal/store each tested model and maintain all necessary certification test records.

Most recordkeeping and reporting provisions of the rule consists of emissions-related data and other information not considered confidential. However, the confidentiality of certain information obtained by the Agency is safeguarded according to Agency policies set forth in Title 40, Chapter 1, Part 2, Subpart B—Confidentiality of Business Information (see 40 CFR 2; 41 FR 36902, September 1, 1976; amended by 43 FR 3999, September 8, 1978; 43 FR 42251, September 20, 1978; 44 FR 17674, March 23, 1979).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 12/2/96 (61 FR 63840).

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.47 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any

previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities:

Manufacturers/Sellers of new Residential Wood Heaters.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 54.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 7,653 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$1,347,984.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1176-05 and OMB Control No. 2060.0161 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460.

and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 18, 1997.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-42064B; FRL-5717-3]

Department of Energy Plan for Certification of Pesticide Applicators

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Approve Amended Certification Plan.

SUMMARY: On October 7, 1988, EPA announced approval of the Department of Energy (DOE) plan for the certification of pesticide applicators. The DOE plan only provided for certification of employees of the Bonneville Power Administration. The DOE has submitted a revision to their pesticide applicator certification plan. While continuing to cover only employees of the Bonneville Power Administration, the revised plan would

add a wood treatment category and require recertification every year. The present plan contains only a right-of-way category, which would be retained, and requires recertification at 3-year intervals. Notice is hereby given of the intention of EPA to grant approval of the newly revised DOE plan.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before August 7, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The Agency invites interested persons to submit written comments on this Notice. Comments identified by the docket control number OPP-42064B should be submitted in triplicate by mail to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person: Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5805, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by following the instructions under Unit II. of this document. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

Copies of the DOE revised plan are available for viewing at the following locations during normal business hours:

1. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Rm. 1121, Arlington, VA 22202. Contact: John R. MacDonald, (703) 305-7370.

2. U.S. Department of Energy, Bonneville Power Administration, 905 Northeast Eleventh, Stop EP-5, Fifth Floor, Portland, OR 97232. Contact: James Meyer, (503) 230-5038.

3. Select U.S. Department of Energy installations. Contact James Meyer at aforementioned location for list of locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: John R. MacDonald, (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 1121, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, Telephone: (703) 305-7370.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In the **Federal Register** of October 7, 1988 (53 FR 39518), notice was published announcing the final approval of a DOE pesticide applicator certification plan, which only addressed the Bonneville Power Administration.

The DOE is revising its certification plan to require recertification every year and add a wood treatment category. The present plan requires recertification every 3 years. Certification and recertification will continue to be by written examination. The current right-of-way category will remain in the revised plan. This revised plan has been submitted to EPA for approval. The DOE estimates that there will be 100 applicators certified in the new wood treatment category. There are presently approximately 150 applicators certified in the right-of-way category, whose certification will remain unaffected by this action. EPA finds that the revised DOE certification plan fully meets the requirements of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the regulations at 40 CFR part 171. Therefore, EPA announces its intention to approve the revised DOE certification plan. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on EPA's intention to approve the revised DOE certification plan.

II. Public Docket

The official record for this document, as well as the public version, has been established for this document under docket control number "OPP-42064B" (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 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official record is located at the address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:
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. Comment 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 control number OPP-42064B. Electronic comments on this action may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: June 16, 1997.

Susan H. Wayland,

*Acting Assistant Administrator for
Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-30407A; FRL-5724-8]

Ecogen Incorporation; 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 Lepinox Bioinsecticide, Lepinox G Bioinsecticide, and Lepinox WDG Bioinsecticide, containing an active ingredient 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability: Electronic copies of this document and the Fact Sheet are available from the EPA home page at the Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under "Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>).

EPA issued a notice, published in the **Federal Register** of April 17, 1996 (61 FR 16781; FRL-5362-2), which announced that Ecogen Inc., 2005 Cabot Blvd. West, P.O. Box 3023, Longhorne, PA 19047-3023, had submitted applications to register the pesticide products Crystar Technical, Crystar G, and Crystar WDG (EPA File Symbols 55638-GL, 55638-GA, and 55638-GT), containing the new active ingredient *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* strain EG 7826 lepidopteran active toxin at 50, 2, and 15 percent respectively, an active ingredient not included in any previously registered products.

The applications were approved on December 16, 1996, for the products listed below:

1. Lepinox Bioinsecticide (formerly Crystar Technical) for the manufacture of bioinsecticide end-use products; for application to vegetables and cole crops, herbs, spices, ornamentals, and other crops (EPA Registration Number 55638-35).

2. Lepinox G Bioinsecticide (formerly Crystar G) for the control of lepidopterous pests EPA Registration Number 55638-36).

3. Lepinox WDG Bioinsecticide (formerly Crystar WDG) for the control of lepidopterous pests (EPA Registration Number 55638-37).

The Agency has considered all required data on risks associated with the proposed use of *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* strain EG 7826 lepidopteran active toxin, and information on social, economic, and environmental benefits to be derived from use. Specifically, the Agency has considered the nature of the chemical 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 safety determinations which show that use of *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* strain EG 7826 lepidopteran active toxin when used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, will not generally cause unreasonable adverse effects to the environment.

More detailed information on these registrations is contained in an EPA Pesticide Fact Sheet on *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies *kurstaki* strain EG 7826 lepidopteran active toxin.

A copy of these fact sheets, which provide a summary description of the pesticides, 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.