

approximately \$317,150. South Georgia also states that Florida Power will construct, own and operate as part of its generating plant facilities approximately 1000 feet of 8-inch-diameter pipeline extending from the outlet of the meter station to Florida Power's combustion turbine building.

South Georgia estimates the annual volumes to be delivered to the proposed Florida Power #2 delivery point to be 350,000 Mcf, which is equivalent to an estimated daily average of 959 Mcf. South Georgia states that the maximum delivery volumes are expected to be 9,720 Mcf per day. South Georgia further states that it will provide the transportation service to the proposed Florida Power #2 delivery point under its Rate Schedule IT, and that installation of the proposed facilities will have no adverse effect on its ability to provide its firm requirements.

*Comment date:* March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

#### 5. Koch Gateway Pipeline Company

[Docket No. CP97-234-000]

Take notice that on February 6, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch Gateway), P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251-1478, filed in Docket No. CP97-234-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate delivery point facilities in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana to implement an interruptible transportation service of up to 4,000 million Btu per day under Rate Schedule ITS for Occidental Chemical Corporation (Oxy), under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-430-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Koch Gateway states that the proposed facilities consist of a 4-inch tap, 4-inch meter station and 670 feet of 4-inch pipeline, with the tap located on its lateral line 300-22. Koch Gateway states that the proposed facilities would allow it to provide Oxy's peak day and average day requirements of 4,000 million Btu and 2,500 million Btu, respectively. Koch Gateway estimates a facility cost of \$130,000, which would be reimbursed by Oxy.

Koch Gateway states that the interruptible transportation service to be rendered through the delivery point facilities would be performed using existing capacity on its system and would have no effect on its peak day

and annual deliveries. It is also stated that its tariff does not prohibit the proposed installation of facilities.

*Comment date:* March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said filing should on or before the comment date file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this filing if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for the applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn

within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-30394A; FRL-5578-4]

### Ciba-Geigy Corporation; 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 Able Biological Insecticide and Technical CGA-269941, containing 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: Michael Mendelsohn, 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) 308-8715; e-mail: mendelsohn.mike@epamail.epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability: Electronic copies of this document and the Fact Sheet are available from the EPA Public Access gopher (gopher.epa.gov) at the Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under "Rules and Regulations."

EPA issued a notice, published in the Federal Register of November 1, 1995 (60 FR 55574; FRL-4979-7), which announced that Ciba-Geigy Corporation, Ciba Crop Protection, Greensboro, NC 27419, had submitted applications to register the products Able Biological Insecticide and Technical CGA-269941 (File Symbols 100-TTA and 100-TTL), containing the active ingredient *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *kurstaki* strain M-200 at 6.0 and 12.0 percent respectively, an active ingredient not included in any previously registered products.

The applications were approved on November 15, 1996, for an end-use and a technical product as listed below:

1. Able Biological Insecticide (EPA Reg. No. 100-776) for control of lepidopteran insect of tree fruits, terrestrial small fruits and vegetables, tree nuts, alfalfa, herbs, cranberries, corn, cotton, and soybeans.

2. Technical CGA-269941 (EPA Reg. No. 100-775) for formulating into end-use products for control of lepidopterus insect pests of tree fruits, terrestrial small fruits and vegetables, tree nuts, herbs, spices, cranberries, alfalfa, corn, peanuts, cotton, and soybeans.

The Agency has considered all required data on risks associated with the proposed use of *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *kurstaki* strain M-200, 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* var. *kurstaki* strain M-200 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* var. *kurstaki* strain M-200.

A copy of this 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 and the list of data references used to support registration are available for public inspection in the office of the Regulatory Action Leader. 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 Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations 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: February 5, 1997.

Janet L. Andersen,

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

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[PF-703; FRL-5585-6]

#### Ciba-Geigy Corporation; Pesticide Tolerance Petition Filing

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of filing.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of tolerances for residues of difenoconazole in or on raw agricultural commodities of barley. This notice includes a summary of the petition that was prepared by the petitioner, Ciba-Geigy Corporation.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by the docket control number [PF-703], must be received on or before March 21, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** By mail, submit written comments to: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Crystal Mall #2, Room 1132, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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 in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number [PF-703]. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic

submissions can be found in Unit II. of this document.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). CBI should not be submitted through e-mail. Information marked as CBI 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 in Room 1132 at the address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail, Cynthia Giles-Parker, Product Manager (PM 22), Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Crystal Mall #2, Room 229, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, 703-305-5540, e-mail: giles-parker.cynthia@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has received a pesticide petition (PP-6F4748) from Ciba-Geigy Corporation, 410 Swing Rd., Greensboro, NC 27401, proposing pursuant to section 408(d) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing a tolerance for residues of the fungicide, difenoconazole, in or on the raw agricultural commodities barely forage, hay, and straw at 0.05 parts per million (ppm) and barley grain at 0.01 ppm.

EPA has determined that the petition contains data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2) of FFDCA; however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting of the petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petition.

As required by section 408(d) of the FFDCA, as recently amended by the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Pub. L. 104-170, Ciba-Geigy Corporation (Ciba-Geigy) included in the petition a summary of the petition and authorization for the summary to be published in the Federal Register in a notice of receipt of the petition. The summary represents the views of Ciba-Geigy. EPA is in the process of evaluating the petition. As required by section 408(d)(3) of the FFDCA, EPA is