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#### Hydro Agenda

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II.  
PIPELINE CERTIFICATE MATTERS  
PC-1.  
RESERVED  
**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*  
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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PF-701A; FRL-6017-3]

#### Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

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**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the amendment of pesticide petition (PP 6F4664), proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by the docket control number PF-701A, must be received on or before August 26, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** By mail submit written comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (7502C), Information Resources and Services Division, Office of Pesticides Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person bring comments to: Rm. 119, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Follow the instructions under "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." No confidential business information should be submitted through e-mail.

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). 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 Rm. 119 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: Joanne Miller, Product Manager (PM-23) Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location/telephone and e-mail address: Rm. 237, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA, 703-305-6224, e-mail: miller.joanne@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has received pesticide petitions as follows proposing the establishment and/or amendment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a. EPA has determined that these petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2); 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.

The official record for this notice of filing, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice of filing under docket control number [PF-701A] (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 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number [PF-701A] and appropriate petition number. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

#### List of Subjects

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

Dated: July 10, 1998.

**James Jones,**

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

#### Summary of Petition

Petitioner summary of the pesticide petition is printed below as required by section 408(d)(3) of the FFDCA. The summary of the petition was prepared by the petitioner and represents the view of the petitioner. EPA is publishing the petition summary verbatim without editing them in any way. The petition summary announces the availability of a description of the analytical methods available to EPA for the detection and measurement of the pesticide chemical residues or an explanation of why no such method is needed.

#### Amended Petition

PP 6F4664. In the **Federal Register** of February 26, 1997 (62 FR 8737) (FRL-5585-2), EPA issued a notice that

Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company, P.O. Box 12014, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, proposed pursuant to section 408(d) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. section 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing a tolerance for the combined residues of the herbicide isoxaflutole [5-cyclopropyl-4-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoyl) isoxazole] and its metabolites 1-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-cyano-3-cyclopropyl propan-1,3-dione and 2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoic acid, calculated as the parent compound, in or on the raw agricultural commodity field corn at 0.20 parts per million (ppm), field corn, fodder, at 0.50 ppm, field corn, forage at 1.0 ppm; and establishing a tolerance for combined residues of the herbicide isoxaflutole [5-cyclopropyl-4-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoyl) isoxazole] and its metabolite 1-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-cyano-3-cyclopropyl propan-1,3-dione, calculated as the parent compound, in or on the liver of cattle, goat, hogs, horses, poultry and sheep at 0.40 ppm, meat byproducts (except liver) of cattle, goat, hogs, horses, and sheep at 0.2 ppm and milk at 0.02 ppm.

Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company has submitted to EPA an amended petition (PP 6F4664), proposing to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing a tolerance for the combined residues of the herbicide isoxaflutole [5-cyclopropyl-4-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoyl) isoxazole] and its metabolites 1-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-cyano-3-cyclopropyl propan-1,3-dione and 2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoic acid, calculated as the parent compound, in or on the raw agricultural commodities field corn at 0.20 ppm, field corn, fodder, at 0.50 ppm, field corn, forage at 1.0 ppm; and establishing a tolerance for combined residues of the herbicide isoxaflutole [5-cyclopropyl-4-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethyl benzoyl) isoxazole] and its metabolite 1-(2-methylsulfonyl-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-cyano-3-cyclopropyl propan-1,3-dione, calculated as the parent compound, in or on the meat of cattle, goat, hogs, horses, and sheep at 0.20 ppm, liver of cattle, goat, hogs, horses and sheep at 0.50 ppm, meat byproducts (except liver) of cattle, goat, hogs, horses, and sheep at 0.1 ppm, fat of cattle, goat, hogs, horses, and sheep at 0.20 ppm,

liver of poultry at 0.3 ppm, eggs at 0.1 ppm and milk at 0.02 ppm.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6129-8]

### Proposed Second Modification of General NPDES Permit (GP) for Alaskan Mechanical Placer Miners (Permit Number AKG-37-0000)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed second modification of a general permit.

**SUMMARY:** This proposed modification of the GP is intended to regulate activities of mechanical placer mining in the state of Alaska. The proposed modifications are based on the "Withdrawal of Federal Regulations of the Applicability to Alaska's Waters of Human Health Criteria" which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 2, 1998 (63 FR 10140) and became effective on April 1, 1998, and other changes as described in the Fact Sheet.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by August 26, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons may submit comments on the proposed modification of the GP to Director, Office of Water; U.S. EPA, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, OW-135; Seattle, Washington 98101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the Proposed Second Modification of the General Permit and Fact Sheet are available upon request.

Requests may be made to Jeanette Carriveau at (206) 553-1214 or to Cindi Godsey at (907) 271-6561. Requests may also be electronically mailed to: CARRIVEAU.

JEANETTE@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV or GODSEY.CINDI@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV. Copies of the permit and fact sheet can also be found by visiting the Region 10 website at [www.epa.gov/r10earth/offices/water/npdes.html](http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/offices/water/npdes.html).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this action from the review requirements of Executive Order 12866 pursuant to section 6 of that order.

##### B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

After review of the facts presented in the notice printed above, I hereby certify pursuant to the provision of 5 U.S.C.

605(b) that this modification of the GP will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. Moreover, the permit reduces a significant administrative burden on regulated sources.

Dated: July 14, 1998.

**Roger K. Mochnick,**

*Acting Director, Office of Water, Region 10.*

**Fact Sheet—United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, OW-130, Seattle, Washington 98101, (206) 553-1214**

Permit No.: AKG-37-0000

Proposed second modification of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit (GP) to discharge pollutants pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Act (CWA) for Alaskan Mechanical Placer Miners.

This fact sheet includes (a) the tentative determination of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to modify the GP, (b) information on public comment, public hearings and appeal, and (c) the conditions and requirements contained in the modification.

Persons wishing to comment on the modifications contained in the proposed GP may do so before the expiration date of the public document. Only the modifications are open to public comment. All written comments should be submitted to EPA as described in the public comments section of the attached public document.

After the expiration date of the public document, the Director, Office of Water, will make final determinations with respect to issuance of the modified GP. The tentative determinations contained in the proposed GP will become final conditions if no substantive comments are received during the public comment period.

A General Permit follows rulemaking procedures so EPA's issuance and promulgation activities must be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). The modified GP will become effective 30 days after publication of the final modified GP in the **Federal Register** according to section 553(d) of the APA. Anyone wishing to appeal the modifications to this GP must do so in court according to 40 CFR 124.71. Interested persons may challenge the amendments, within 120 days of issuance, in the Circuit Court of Appeals of the United States under section 509(b)(1) of the Act.

The proposed NPDES permit and fact sheet are on file and may be inspected

and copies made at the above address any time between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies and other information may be requested by writing to EPA at the above address to the attention of the NPDES Permits Unit, or by calling (206) 553-1214. The proposed GP and fact sheet are also available from the EPA Alaska Operations Office, Room 537, Federal Building, 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7588 or Alaska Operations Office, 410 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 100, Juneau, Alaska 99801 or the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), Watershed Management Section, 610 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709.

## Technical Information

### 1. Summary of Modifications

The intent of this proposed modification of the GP is to revise the effluent limitation for arsenic based on a change to the state's Water Quality Standards. This has been requested by a Permittee according to the requirements of 40 CFR 124.5 for the reasons specified in 40 CFR 122.62. Also, some additions and deletions of permit language have been made due to the water quality standard change, changes in regulation and the correction of typographical errors. Renumbering of Permit Parts, where necessary, has been done without being noted.

### 2. Coverage of Modified Permit

It is the intent of EPA to apply the final modified general permit to all facilities previously covered by a general permit for mechanical operations without the submission of a new Notice of Intent (NOI). Upon issuance of the final GP, a copy of the new permit will be sent to each permittee.

### 3. Description of the Industry

Placer mining involves the mining and extraction of gold or other heavy metals and minerals primarily from alluvial deposits. These deposits may be in existing stream beds or ancient often buried stream deposits, i.e. paleo or fossil placers. Many Alaskan placer deposits consist of unconsolidated clay, sand, gravel, cobble and boulders that contain very small amounts of native gold or other precious metals. Most are stream deposits and occur along present stream valleys or on benches or terraces above existing streams. Beach placer deposits have been and continue to be important producers in Alaska. These deposits, most notable near Nome,