

4. Would this policy have any implications for international trade?

5. Should existing tolerances be revoked if the Threshold of Regulation policy is adopted and certain tolerance are determined not to be needed?

B. "Assigning Values to Nondetectable Pesticide Residues in Human Health Dietary Exposure Assessments"

1. Under what circumstances would either 1/2 LOD or LOQ for NDs significantly underestimate or overestimate dietary exposure? Does any available information demonstrate that this method either underestimates or overestimates dietary exposure?

2. Should EPA consider a different approach for incorporating nondetectable samples into risk assessments depending on the type of risk assessment being performed (i.e., chronic risks, acute risks, short-term risks (Section 18's))?

3. Are the methods for determining LOD and LOQ adequately defined?

4. Would this policy have any implications for international trade?

C. "A Statistical Method for Incorporating Nondetectable Pesticide Residues into Human Health Dietary Exposure Assessments"

1. Are other methods available which may be preferable to the methods described in this paper for statistically estimating the distribution or mean values of nondetectable residue samples?

2. Under what circumstances, if any, would use of Cohen's method not be considered reliable or appropriate?

V. Public Record and Electronic Submissions

A record has been established for these policy guidances under docket control numbers "OPP-00569," "OPP-00570," and "OPP-00571" (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 public inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official record is located at the Virginia address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

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VI. Contents of Docket

Documents that are referenced in this notice document will be inserted in the docket under the docket control numbers "OPP-00569," "OPP-00570," or "OPP-00571." In addition, the documents referenced in the framework notice, which published in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 1998 (63 FR 58038) have also been inserted in the docket under docket control number OPP-00557.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, pesticides and pests.

Dated: November 30, 1998.

Lynn R. Goldman,

Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34154; FRL-6048-7]

Iprodione; Availability of the Reregistration Eligibility Decision Document for Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and starts a 60-day public comment period of the Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document for the active ingredient iprodione. The

RED for this chemical is the Agency's formal regulatory assessment of the health and environmental database of the subject chemical and presents the Agency's determination regarding which pesticidal uses are eligible for reregistration.

DATES: Written comments on the RED decisions must be submitted by February 2, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of comments identified with the docket control number "OPP-34154" and the case number (noted below), should be submitted to: By mail: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, deliver comments to: Room 119, Crystal Mall 2 (CM #2), 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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

Information submitted as a comment in response to this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as 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 docket. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public docket without prior notice (including comments and data submitted electronically). The public docket and docket index, including printed paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI 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: Technical questions on the RED document should be directed to the following Chemical Review Manager:

Chemical Name	Case No	Chemical Review Manager	Telephone No.	e-mail Address
Iprodione	2335	Dennis Deziel	703-308-8173	Deziel.Dennis@epamail.epa.gov

To request a copy of any of the above listed RED document, or a specific RED Fact Sheet, contact the OPP Pesticide Docket, Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, in Rm. 119, at the address given above or call (703) 305-5805.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Electronic Availability

Electronic copies of this document and various support documents are available from the EPA home page at the Federal Register-Environmental Documents entry for this document under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>).

Electronic copies of the REDs and RED fact sheets can be downloaded from the Pesticide Special Review and Reregistration Information System at (703) 308-7224, and also can be reached on the Internet via EPA's website at: <http://www.epa.gov/REDs>.

II. Reregistration Eligibility Decision

The Agency has issued a Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document for the pesticidal active ingredient iprodione. Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended in 1988, EPA is conducting a reregistration program to reevaluate existing pesticides to make sure they meet current scientific and regulatory standards. The data base to support the reregistration of iprodione is substantially complete.

To lessen human health risk, residential risk, worker risk, and ecological effects posed by iprodione, Rhone-Poulenc Ag Co., the current manufacturer of iprodione, has proposed to implement a series of risk mitigation measures based on the Agency's risk assessment, as discussed in the Iprodione RED. These mitigation measures include:

Proposed cancellation by Rhone-Poulenc of all residential uses of iprodione.

For iprodione use on strawberries, increase the pre-harvest interval from 0-days to up to but not after first flower. In addition, the tolerance for strawberries will be reduced to the limit of quantitation (0.05 parts per million (ppm)).

For iprodione use on all stone fruit (apricots, cherries, nectarines, plums, and prunes), increase the pre-harvest interval from 7-days to up to but not after petal fall (approximately 45 - 90-day pre-harvest interval). In addition, the tolerances for all stone fruit, including peaches, will be reduced to limit of quantitation (0.05 ppm).

For iprodione use on table grapes (fresh, cooked, canned, juice, raisin or

otherwise; mitigation does not include wine and sherry grapes), reduce the application rate from 4 times per season to one application per season at early-to mid-bloom. Tolerances remain unchanged consistent with the RED (10 ppm).

Limit the maximum number of applications on non-residential turf, lawn, golf course, ornamental trees, and ornamental plants from "unlimited" to 6 per year, with the maximum annual application of up to but no more than 24 pounds (lbs.) active ingredient (a.i.).

Proposed cancellation by Rhone-Poulenc of all herbaceous ornamental seed treatment uses of iprodione.

The Agency intends to publish in the near future a 6(f) FR Notice announcing those canceled iprodione uses. The Agency has determined that all remaining uses of iprodione are eligible for reregistration subject to certain other conditions imposed in the RED.

All registrants of products containing the above listed active ingredient have been sent the Iprodione RED document and must respond to labeling requirements and product specific data requirements (if applicable) within 8 months of receipt. Products containing other active ingredients will not be reregistered until those other active ingredients are determined to be eligible for reregistration.

The reregistration program is being conducted under congressionally mandated time frames, and EPA recognizes both the need to make timely reregistration decisions and to involve the public. Therefore, EPA is issuing this RED as a final document with a 60-day comment period. Although the 60-day public comment period does not affect the registrant's response due date, it is intended to provide an opportunity for public input and a mechanism for initiating any necessary amendments to the RED. All comments will be carefully considered by the Agency.

III. Public Record and Electronic Submissions

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice under docket control number "OPP-34154" (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.

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List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticide.

Dated: November 30, 1998.

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Acting Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-44650; FRL-6047-1]

TSCA Chemical Testing; Receipt of Test Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces EPA's receipt of test data on Diglycidyl Ether of Bisphenol A (DGEBA) (CAS No. 1675-54-3) and Phenol (CAS No. 108-95-2). These data were submitted pursuant to enforceable testing consent agreements/orders issued by EPA under section 4 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Publication of this notice is in compliance with section 4(d) of TSCA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-543B, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD (202) 554-0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under 40 CFR 790.60, all TSCA section 4 enforceable consent agreements/orders must contain a statement that results of testing conducted pursuant to testing enforceable consent agreements/orders will be announced to the public in accordance with procedures specified in section 4(d) of TSCA.