

further refinements of the risk assessment may be appropriate for the phostebupirim organophosphate pesticide. This document reflects only the work and analysis conducted as of the time it was produced and it is appropriate that, as new information becomes available and/or additional analyses are performed, the conclusions in it may change.

As the preliminary risk assessments for the remaining organophosphate pesticides are completed and registrants are given a 30-day review period to identify possible computational or other clear errors in the risk assessment, these risk assessments and registrant responses will be placed in the individual organophosphate pesticide dockets. A notice of availability for subsequent assessments will appear in the **Federal Register**.

The Agency is providing an opportunity, through this notice, for interested parties to provide written comments and input to the Agency on the preliminary risk assessment for the chemical specified in this notice. Such comments and input could address, for example, the availability of additional data to further refine the risk assessment, such as percent crop treated information or submission of residue data from food processing studies, or could address the Agency's risk assessment methodologies and assumptions as applied to this specific chemical. Comments should be limited to issues raised within the preliminary risk assessment and associated documents. EPA will provide other opportunities for public comment on other science issues associated with the organophosphate tolerance reassessment program. Failure to comment on any such issues as part of this opportunity will in no way prejudice or limit a commenter's opportunity to participate fully in later notice and comment processes. All comments should be submitted by July 26, 1999, at the address given under "ADDRESSES." Comments will become part of the Agency record for each individual organophosphate pesticide to which they pertain.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: May 20, 1999.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-64041; FRL-6082-9]

Notice of Cancellation of All Registrations of the Organophosphate Isofenphos

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a notice of its response to requests for voluntary cancellation of registrations for all products containing isofenphos by Bayer Corporation, the sole U.S. registrant of the insecticide.

DATES: These terminations and cancellations become effective according to the timetable specified under "Background" subject to the existing stocks provision specified herein.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Philip Poli, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number and e-mail: Reregistration Branch 3, Crystal Mall #2, 6th floor, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA; (703) 308-8038; e-mail: poli.philip@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may, at any time, request that any of its pesticide registrations be canceled or amended. FIFRA further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**. Thereafter, the EPA Administrator may approve or deny the request consistent with the provisions established pursuant to section 6(f)(1).

Accordingly, the Agency is proceeding with the cancellation of all isofenphos products as specified in the January 15, 1999 **Federal Register**. That notice announced receipt of these requests for termination/cancellation and provided for disposition of existing stocks.

II. Background

Isofenphos is the common name for an insecticide of the organophosphate class; its trade name is Oftanol. The chemical name for isofenphos is 1-methylethyl 2-[[ethoxy[(1-methylethyl)amino]

phosphinothioyl]oxy]benzoate. Bayer Corporation is the sole technical manufacturer of isofenphos and manufactures the technical material overseas. Isofenphos was registered in the United States for use on turf and ornamentals for control of white grubs and molecrickets, although only the turf use products were being sold at the time of the request for voluntary cancellation.

In the **Federal Register** of January 15, 1999 (64 FR 2642) (FRL 6056-5), EPA issued a notice announcing receipt of the isofenphos registrants' request to terminate uses and cancel registrations under section 3 of FIFRA, and provided notice of EPA's intent to accept those requests. According to the timetable specified in the January 15, 1999 **Federal Register** notice, cancellation of Bayer Corporation's isofenphos registrations will be accomplished in three steps. First, the following product registrations are canceled effective May 26, 1999.

- Oftanol 5% Granular Turf and Ornamental Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-435
- Oftanol 5% Granular Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-330
- Oftanol 1.5% Granular Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-331
- Lawn Food and Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-350

EPA will continue to permit the sale, distribution and use of existing stocks of these product registrations already in the hands of dealers or users.

Second, Bayer's product Oftanol 2 Insecticide (EPA Reg. No. 3125-342) will be canceled on September 30, 1999. The Agency has authorized a 1-year existing stocks provision, whereby Bayer Corporation may sell and/or distribute all remaining inventory of this product, under the previously approved labeling, until September 30, 2000. Third, the cancellation of Oftanol technical will become effective on December 31, 1999. Bayer Corporation will discontinue any further sales and/or distribution of Oftanol technical as of this date.

Further, because sales of isofenphos have been steadily declining since 1994, Bayer has agreed to limit the sale of Oftanol technical in 1999 to the level of 1998 sales. Finally, Bayer also stated in its December 11, 1998 letter to the Agency requesting voluntary cancellation, that they will notify formulator customers of the schedule for discontinuance of their isofenphos product registration "to give them adequate transition time to develop or identify alternative products."

III. Cancellation Order and Existing Stocks Provision

The Agency hereby grants all of the requested cancellations, consistent with the schedule Bayer Corporation requested in its December 11, 1999 voluntary cancellation letter to the Agency. Bayer Corporation requested in its December 11, 1999 letter a 1-year existing stocks provision for its end-use product Oftanol 2 Insecticide (EPA Reg. No. 3125-342). The Agency has determined that the effective date of cancellation for this product will be September 30, 1999. The Bayer Corporation, and any supplemental distributors, may sell or distribute existing stocks of this product, bearing the previously-approved labeling, until September 30, 2000. In addition, EPA will continue to permit, after September 30, 2000 (EPA Reg. No. 3125-342) and December 31, 1999 (EPA Reg. No. 3125-326), the sale, distribution, and use of existing stocks of product containing isofenphos already in the channels of distribution by persons other than the registrant and/or supplemental registrants, (i.e., stocks already in the hands of dealers and users).

Cancellation of the following isofenphos product registrations will become effective on May 26, 1999. EPA will continue to permit the sale, distribution and use of existing stocks of the following product registrations already in the hands of any person other than the registrant and/or supplemental distributors:

- Oftanol 5% Granular Turf and Ornamental Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-435
- Oftanol 5% Granular Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-330
- Oftanol 1.5% Granular Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-331
- Lawn Food and Insecticide, EPA Reg. No. 3125-350

All sale or distribution of existing stocks permitted by this cancellation order is permitted only to the extent that the product being sold or distributed bears the previously-approved label that was required to be on the product on the date of cancellation. All use of existing stocks of any product canceled pursuant to this cancellation order must be consistent with the previously-approved labeling on or accompanying the product. In addition, dealers and users should be aware that the Agency reserves the right to amend the existing stocks portion of this order if conditions warrant that existing stocks are not exhausted in a reasonable time.

Lists of Subjects:

Environmental protection,
Agricultural commodities, Pesticides
and pests, Product registrations

Dated: May 18, 1999.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-30479; FRL-6080-7]

E. I. DuPont De Nemours and Co.; Applications to Register Pesticide Products

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of applications to register pesticide products containing new active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by June 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments identified by the document control number [OPP-30479] and the file symbols to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., 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 (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted as a comment concerning 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 record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. The public

docket is available for public inspection in Rm. 119 at the Virginia address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: James Tompkins, Product Manager (PM-25), Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Rm. 239, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703 305-5697, e-mail: tompkins.jim@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA received applications as follows to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provision of section 3(c)(4) of FIFRA. Notice of receipt of these applications does not imply a decision by the Agency on the applications.

I. Products Containing Active Ingredients Not Included In Any Previously Registered Products

1. File Symbol: 352-LII. Applicant: E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company, Agricultural Products, P.O. Box 18038, Wilmington, DE 19880-0038. Product Name: Milestone. Herbicide. Active ingredient: 2-[2,4-Dichloro-5-(2-propynyloxy)phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1,2,4-triazolo[4,3-a]-pyridin-3(2H)-one at 80%. Proposed classification/Use: General. For control of many annual broadleaf weeds and grasses in citrus, grapes, sugarcane, temperate woody crops, hybrid poplar plantations, noncrop industrial sites, and turf.

2. File Symbol: 352-LIT. Applicant: E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company. Product Name: DPX-R6447 Technical. Herbicide. Active ingredient: 2-[2,4-Dichloro-5-(2-propynyloxy)phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1,2,4-triazolo[4,3-a]-pyridin-3(2H)-one at 97.32%. Proposed classification/Use: General. For the formulation of herbicides only.

Notice of approval or denial of an application to register a pesticide product will be announced in the **Federal Register**. The procedure for requesting data will be given in the **Federal Register** if an application is approved.

Comments received within the specified time period will be considered before a final decision is made; comments received after the time specified will be considered only to the extent possible without delaying processing of the application.