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2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When submitting comments, remember to:

- i. Identify the document by docket ID number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).
- ii. Follow directions. The Agency may ask you to respond to specific questions or organize comments by referencing a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part or section number.
- iii. Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes.
- iv. Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/or data that you used.
- v. If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.
- vi. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns and suggest alternatives.
- vii. Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.
- viii. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

3. *Environmental justice.* EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticide discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

## II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136p), at the discretion of the Administrator, a Federal or State agency may be exempted from any provision of FIFRA if the Administrator determines that emergency conditions exist which require the exemption. Montana Department of Agriculture has requested the Administrator to issue a specific exemption for the use of *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* on potato to control PVY. Information in accordance with 40

CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

As part of this request, the applicant asserts that *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* is needed to treat first and second generation seed potato to control PVY transmitted by aphids. The mode of action of *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* is to induce the plants systemic acquired resistance (SAR) to disease. In certified seed potato production, the final evaluation on virus levels is determined by conducting a post-harvest test. In Montana, the level of virus must be below 0.5% PVY for planting back for re-certification. The Montana potato industry's ability to plant sufficient seed acreage in 2012 will be compromised, without the use of *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* to control PVY. Expected losses without the use of *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* will approach 30% of the first generation seed potato and 40% of the second generation seed potato.

The Applicant proposes to make no more than five applications per year at a rate of 0.3 ounces of active ingredient per acre per application to a maximum of 2,675 acres of potato during the 2012 growing season in the state of Montana. A total of 4,012.5 ounces of *Bacillus mycooides isolate J* may be used.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 of FIFRA require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a specific exemption proposing use of a new chemical (i.e., an active ingredient) which has not been registered by EPA. The notice provides an opportunity for public comment on the application.

The Agency, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the specific exemption requested by the Montana Department of Agriculture.

### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: May 22, 2012.

**Lois Rossi,**

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9682-4]

### Public Water Supply Supervision Program; Program Revision for the State of Washington

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Tentative Approval.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the State of Washington has revised its approved State Public Water Supply Supervision Primacy Program. Washington has adopted regulations analogous to EPA's Lead and Copper Short-Term Regulatory Revisions and Clarifications Rule. EPA has determined that these revisions are no less stringent than the corresponding federal regulations. Therefore, EPA intends to approve these State program revisions. By approving these rules, EPA does not intend to affect the rights of federally recognized Indian tribes within "Indian country" as defined by 18 U.S.C. 1151, nor does it intend to limit existing rights of the State of Washington.

**DATES:** All interested parties may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be submitted by July 6, 2012 to the Regional Administrator at the EPA address shown below. Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the Regional Administrator. However, if a substantial request for a public hearing is made by July 6, 2012, a public hearing will be held. If no timely and appropriate request for a hearing is received and the Regional Administrator does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become final and effective on July 6, 2012. Any request for a public hearing shall include the following information: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual, organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; (2) a brief statement of the requesting person's interest in the Regional Administrator's determination and a brief statement of the information that the requesting person intends to submit at such hearing; (3) the signature of the individual making the request, or, if the request is made on behalf of an organization or other entity, the signature of a responsible official of the organization or other entity.

**ADDRESSES:** All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Washington Department of Health—Office of Drinking Water,

243 Israel Road SE., 2nd floor, Tumwater, Washington 98501 and between the hours of 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 1:00–4:00 p.m. at the EPA Region 10 Library, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wendy Marshall, EPA Region 10, Drinking Water Unit, by mail at the Seattle address given above, by telephone at (206) 553-1890, or by email at [marshall.wendy@epa.gov](mailto:marshall.wendy@epa.gov).

**Authority:** Section 1420 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (1996), and 40 CFR Part 142 of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations.

Dated: May 29, 2012.

**Dennis J. McLerran,**

*Regional Administrator, EPA Region 10.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection Renewal; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The FDIC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the renewal of an existing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). Currently, the FDIC is soliciting comment on renewal of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 6, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to the FDIC by any of the following methods:

- <http://www.FDIC.gov/regulations/laws/federal/notices.html>.
- Email: [comments@fdic.gov](mailto:comments@fdic.gov) Include the name of the collection in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Gary A. Kuiper (202.898.3877), Counsel, Room NYA-5046, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20429.
- Hand Delivery: Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 17th Street Building (located on F Street), on business days between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

All comments should refer to the relevant OMB control number. A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the FDIC: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gary A. Kuiper, at the FDIC address above.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Proposal To Renew the Following Currently-Approved Collection of Information

*Title:* External Audits.

*OMB Number:* 3064-0113.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* All insured financial institutions with total assets of \$500 million or more, and other insured financial institutions with total assets of less than \$500 million that voluntarily choose to comply.

*General Description of Collection:* FDIC's regulations at 12 CFR 363 establish annual independent audit and reporting requirements for financial institutions with total assets of \$500 million or more. The requirements include the submission of an annual report on their financial statements, recordkeeping about management deliberations regarding external auditing and reports about changes in auditors. The information collected is used to facilitate early identification of problems in financial management at financial institutions.

*Explanation of burden estimates:* The estimates of annual burden are based on the estimated burden hours for FDIC-supervised institutions within each asset classification (\$1 billion or more, \$500 million or more but less than \$1 billion, and less than \$500 million) to comply with the requirements of Part 363 regarding the annual report, audit committee, other reports, and the notice of change in accountants. The number of respondents reflects the number of FDIC-supervised institutions in each asset classification. The number of annual responses reflects the estimated number of submissions for each asset classification. The annual burden hours reflects the estimated number of hours for FDIC-supervised institutions within each asset classification to comply with the requirements of Part 363.

a. FDIC-Supervised Institutions with Assets of \$1 Billion or More.

*Number of Respondents:* 311.

*Annual Responses:* 1,011.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 69,751.

b. FDIC-Supervised Institutions with Assets of \$500 Million or More but Less than \$1 Billion.

*Number of Respondents:* 416.

*Annual Responses:* 1,352.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 11,388.

c. FDIC-Supervised Institutions with Assets Less than \$500 Million.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,850.

*Annual Responses:* 11,550.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 2,887.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 84,026.

#### Request for Comment

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the FDIC's functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimates of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 1st day of June 2012.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Robert E. Feldman,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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