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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that EPA has received notices of filing under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 346a) for the following petitions to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish various exemptions from the requirement of a tolerance. The petitions are as follows:

Initial Filings

1. *PP 4E4410*. Ciba-Geigy Corp., P.O. Box 12257, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2257, has submitted the pesticide petition (PP) to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the transgenic plant pesticide inert ingredient phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (PAT) as produced in corn by the bar gene and its controlling sequences as found on plasmid sector PCIB3064.

2. *PP 4F4395*. Ciba-Geigy Corp., P.O. Box 12257, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27709-2257, has submitted the pesticide petition (PP) to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the plant pesticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* delta-endotoxin as produced in corn by a CryIA(b) gene and its controlling sequences as found on plasmid vector PCIB4431.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a and 348.

Dated: January 20, 1995.

Flora Chow,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPP-50804; FRL-4929-7]

Glufosinate-Ammonium; Receipt of an Application for an Experimental Use Permit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 29, 1994, EPA received from AgrEvo USA Company, an application for an Experimental Use Permit (EUP) for the use of Liberty Herbicide which is a formulation of the herbicide glufosinate-ammonium, in the culture of corn and soybean plants that have been genetically modified to be tolerant to this herbicide. Due to recent interest in the introduction of transgenic plants into commercial agriculture, the Agency has determined that this application may be of regional and

national significance. Therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR 172.11(a), the Agency is soliciting public comments on this application.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments, in triplicate, should bear the docket control number OPP-50804 and be submitted 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: Rm. 1128, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Information submitted in any comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (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 to the submitter. Written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1128 at the address given above, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Joanne I. Miller, Product Manager (PM) 23, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 237, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-7830.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 29, 1994, an application for an EUP was received from AgrEvo USA Company, 2711 Centerville Road, Wilmington, DE 19808 for the use of Liberty Herbicide which contains the herbicide glufosinate-ammonium, a formulated product containing the active ingredient glufosinate-ammonium and which was previously field tested under EPA Experimental Use Permit Number 8340-EUP-10, in the culture of transgenic corn and soybean plants modified to be tolerant to the herbicide. The transgenic corn and soybean plants have been genetically transformed by inserting a gene identified as the Bialophos Resistance Gene (BAR) containing the information to produce the enzyme, Phosphinothricin Acetyl Transferase (PAT), which detoxifies the herbicide during plant metabolism.

The following are the proposed objectives for the testing program:

1. Evaluate the efficacy of the PAT enzyme in conferring tolerance to Liberty Herbicide in transgenic corn and soybean plants. Data will be collected for stand, crop injury, flowering dates, yield, weight, moisture and stalk strength.

2. Collect seed of transgenic lines for use in seed production.

3. Evaluate the non-selective activity of Liberty Herbicide, tank mixes with residual herbicides and combinations of use of Liberty Herbicide with cultivation weed management methods.

4. Evaluate the acceptability of a weed control program without the use of traditional soil preemergence residual herbicides.

5. Evaluate the Liberty Herbicide formulation for use in spray equipment and to determine if the applicator understands how to use the product.

The applicant requested the use of 449.0 pounds of the active ingredient on a total of 562 acres of corn and soybeans for the time period from approval to October 1, 1995. Testing is proposed for the states of Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin. No petition for a temporary tolerance was submitted with the application because the treated crop will be destroyed or used for research purposes only.

Upon review of the EUP request, any comments received in response to this notice and any other relevant information, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny the EUP. If issued, EPA will set conditions under which the experiments are to be conducted. Any issuance of an EUP by the Agency will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs has a Public Docket Room where a copy of the EUP application deleted of all "Confidential Business Information" will be available for public inspection. The Public Docket Room is located at Rm. 1128, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA; the hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

Dated: January 19, 1995.

Stephen L. Johnson,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION**

[DA 95-102]

**Common Carrier Bureau Invites Public
Comment on USTA Ex Parte
Submission**

January 24, 1995.

Comments: January 31, 1995.

On January 18, 1995, the United States Telephone Association (USTA), the national association that represents local exchange carriers (LECs), filed in CC Docket No. 94-1 a document entitled "A USTA Proposal for the LEC Price Cap Plan." USTA's submission sets forth various substantive recommendations for modifying the Commission's current rules governing the price cap regulation of LECs. USTA states that this proposal modifies the position that it previously has taken in this proceeding.

The Commission initiated CC Docket No. 94-1 to review the performance of LECs under price cap regulation and to consider possible changes to the current plan. Because the USTA proposal was not included in its comments in the regular pleading cycle of this proceeding, other parties to this proceeding have not had an opportunity to address its revised recommendations. In the interest of compiling as a complete a record as possible in this docket, the Common Carrier Bureau hereby invites interested parties to review and comment upon the USTA ex parte submission. The Bureau encourages parties to submit their comments on an expedited basis; it would be most helpful if parties would submit their ex parte comments by January 31, 1995.

An original and four copies of all pleadings must be filed in accordance with § 1.51(c) of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 1.51(c). In addition, one copy of each pleading must be filed the International Transcription Services (ITS), the Commission's copy contractor, at its offices at 2100 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

For further information, contact Dan Grosh or Anthony Bush, Tariff Division, Common Carrier Bureau.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,*Acting Secretary.*

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**FEDERAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY****Crisis Counseling Assistance and
Training****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: FEMA gives notice that the extension period for the California regular crisis counseling program for disaster survivors of the Northridge Earthquake is extended from 90 to 180 days. The severity of the emotional trauma resulting from the earthquake in California warrants an extension of 180 days.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 18, 1995.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Diana Paschke, Human Services Division, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4026.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency is charged with coordinating Federal disaster assistance under the provisions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the Act) when the President has declared a major disaster. FEMA provided funding for a regular crisis counseling program to help those suffering the trauma resulting from the Northridge Earthquake.

FEMA received a request from the State of California to extend the otherwise applicable time limitations authorized by section 416 of the Act, so that the State can provide additional mental health services that are critically needed for citizens during the recovery operation. The extent of the damages wrought by the earthquake were of such magnitude that the residents of California suffered significant emotional trauma that warrants continuation of disaster mental health counseling beyond the normal crisis counseling time periods.

The Director, Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), as the delegate to FEMA for the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, helps FEMA implement crisis counseling training and assistance. The Director, CMHS, recommended that FEMA extend the regular crisis counseling program, and documented a need to continue the regular crisis counseling program beyond a 90-day extension. Based upon the CMHS recommendation, FEMA has approved a 180-day extension to the time period for the California regular crisis counseling program from February 18, 1995, to August 17, 1995.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

Dated: January 24, 1995.

Richard W. Krimm,*Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.*

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**The National Board Fiscal Year 1995
Plan for Carrying Out the Emergency
Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice sets out the plan by which the Emergency Food and Shelter Program National Board (National Board) is conducting a program during FY 1995 to distribute \$130,000,000 to private voluntary organizations and local governments for delivering emergency food and shelter to needy individuals. The distribution formula for selecting organizations and localities, and the award amount for each, follow the Plan text.

DATES: The award to the National Board was made October 24, 1994.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fran McCarthy, Preparedness, Training and Exercise Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, (202) 646-3652, or Dennis H. Kwiatkowski, Chair, EFSP National Board, (202) 646-3487.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 11301 et seq., authorizes use of funds appropriated by the Congress to supplement and expand ongoing efforts to provide shelter, food, and supportive services to homeless, needy individuals. As in past phases, grant awards from this program are provided to address emergency needs. This program is not intended to address or correct structural poverty or long-standing problems. Rather, this appropriation is intended for the purchase of food and shelter to supplement and expand current available resources and not to substitute or reimburse ongoing programs and services.

The National Board has once again adopted the following operating principles:

- Speedy administration and funding.
- Awards to areas of greatest need.
- Local decision-making.
- Public/private sector cooperation.
- Minimum, but accountable reporting.

The National Board expects Local Boards, Local Recipient Organizations (LROs), and State Set-Aside (SSA)