(b) An applicant or employee may file a written reply and request for review of the determination within 30 days after written notification of the determination or receipt of the copies of the documents requested pursuant to this subpart, whichever is later.

(c) An applicant or employee shall be provided with a written notice of and reasons for the results of the review, the identity of the deciding authority, and written notice of the right to appeal.

(d) Within 30 days of receipt of a determination under paragraph (c) of this section, the applicant or employee may appeal that determination in writing to the ARC, established under § 17.15. The applicant or employee may request an opportunity to appear personally before the ARC and to present relevant documents, materials, and information.

(e) An applicant or employee may be represented in any such appeal by an attorney or other representative of his or her choice, at his or her expense. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring the Department to grant such attorney or other representative eligibility for access to classified information, or to disclose to such attorney or representative, or permit the applicant or employee to disclose to such attorney or representative, classified information.

(f) A determination of eligibility for access to classified information by the ARC is a discretionary security decision. Decisions of the ARC shall be in writing and shall be made as expeditiously as possible. Access shall be granted only where facts and circumstances indicate that access to classified information is clearly consistent with the national security interest of the United States, and any doubt shall be resolved in favor of the national security.

(g) The Department Security Officer shall have an opportunity to present relevant information in writing or, if the applicant or employee appears personally, in person. Any such written submissions shall be made part of the applicant or employee’s security record and, as the national security interests of the United States and other applicable law permit, shall also be provided to the applicant or employee. Any personal presentations shall be, to the extent consistent with the national security and other applicable law, in the presence of the applicant or employee.

(h) When the Attorney General or Deputy Attorney General personally certifies that a procedure set forth in this section cannot be made available in a particular case without damaging the national security interests of the United States by revealing classified information, the particular procedure shall not be made available. This is a discretionary and final decision not subject to further review.

(i) This section does not limit the authority of the Attorney General pursuant to any other law or Executive order to deny or terminate access to classified information if the national security so requires and the Attorney General determines that the appeal procedures set forth in this section cannot be invoked in a manner that is consistent with the national security. Nothing in this section requires that the Department provide any procedures under this section to an applicant where a conditional offer of employment is withdrawn for reasons of suitability or any reason other than denial of eligibility for access to classified information. Suitability determinations shall not be used for the purpose of denying an applicant or employee the review proceedings of this section where there has been a denial of revocation of eligibility for access to classified information.

Dated: June 28, 1996.

Janet Reno,
Attorney General.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

36 CFR Parts 1190 and 1191

Accessibility Guidelines for Play Facilities; Notice of Meeting of Regulatory Negotiation Committee

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has established a regulatory negotiation committee to develop a proposed rule on accessibility guidelines for newly constructed and altered play facilities covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Architectural Barriers Act. (61 FR 5723, February 14, 1996). The committee will hold its next meeting on the dates and at the location announced above. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals with hearing impairments who require sign language interpreters should contact Peggy Greenwell at the phone numbers listed above.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue, Maplewood, Minnesota.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Greenwell, Office of Technical and Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., suite 1000, Washington, DC. 20004-1111. Telephone number (202) 272-5434 extension 34 (Voice); (202) 272-5449 (TTY). This document is available in alternate formats (cassette tape, braille, large print, or computer disc) upon request.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In February 1996, the Access Board established a regulatory negotiation committee to develop a proposed rule on accessibility guidelines for newly constructed and altered play facilities covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Architectural Barriers Act. (61 FR 5723, February 14, 1996). The committee will meet until 6:00 p.m.

On Sunday, August 4, 1996, the committee will tour various play facilities in the Minneapolis area. Bus transportation will be provided for committee members. There is limited space available on the bus for members of the public. Individuals may reserve space in advance by calling Peggy Greenwell at the phone numbers listed above. If all available spaces are not reserved in advance, spaces will be filled on the day of the tour on a first come/first served basis. The bus will depart from the main entrance of the Sheraton Metrodome, 1330 Industrial Boulevard, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at 9:00 a.m. The bus will return to Maplewood Community Center at approximately 4:00 p.m. and the committee will meet until 6:00 p.m.

Lawrence W. Roffee,
Executive Director.

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Environmental Protection Agency

40 CFR Part 180

[PP 6E4645/P672; FRL–5384–1]

Glyphosate; Pesticide Tolerance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document proposes to establish a time-limited tolerance for residues of the herbicide glyphosate [N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine] in or on the raw agricultural commodity (RAC) oats at 20 parts per million (ppm). Because additional time is needed for the petitioner to submit additional details on the processing study and the composition of the foreign product, the Agency is proposing to grant this tolerance with a 3-year expiration date. This tolerance is being established to allow for the legal import of oats treated with glyphosate. Monsanto Company requested this tolerance in a petition submitted to EPA pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket control number [PP 6E4645/P672], must be received on or before August 12, 1996.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments 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. 1132, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, (703)-305-6027; e-mail: taylor.robert@epamail.epa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail, Robert J. Taylor, Product Manager, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 241, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, (703)-305-6027; e-mail: taylor.robert@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Monsanto Company, 700 14th St., NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, has submitted a pesticide petition (PP 6E4645) proposing to amend 40 CFR 180.364, pursuant to section 408(d) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) 21 U.S.C. 346(a), by establishing a regulation to permit residues of the herbicide glyphosate [N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine] resulting from the application of the isopropylamine salt and/or the monoammonium salt of glyphosate in or on the raw agricultural commodity (RAC) oats at 20.0 parts per million (ppm). The data submitted in the petitions and other relevant material have been evaluated. The glyphosate toxicological data listed below were considered in support of these tolerances.

7. A developmental toxicity study in rabbits given doses of 0, 30, 10, and 5 mg/kg/day with a developmental NOEL of 10 mg/kg/day based on an apparent increased incidence of focal tubular dilatation of the kidney (both unilateral and bilateral combined) of male F3b pups.

9. A two generation reproduction study with rats fed dosage levels of 0, 100, 500, and 1,500 mg/kg/day with a developmental NOEL of 500 mg/kg/day based on increased pup body weight and body weight gain on lactation days 14 and 21 at 1,500 mg/kg/day (HDT), a systemic NOEL of 500 mg/kg/day based on soft stools in Fo and F1 females at 1,500 mg/kg/day (HDT) and a systemic NOEL of 25 mg/kg/day (HDT). Additionally, since there was no increase in focal tubular dilatation
of the kidney of the pups at any dose level, the findings at 30 mg/kg/day in the earlier study was considered spurious.

10. Mutagenicity data included chromosomal aberration in vitro (no aberrations in Chinese hamster ovary cells were caused with and without S9 activation); DNA repair in rat hepatocyte; in vivo bone marrow cytogenetic test in rats; rec-assay with B. subtilis; reverse mutation test with S. typhimurium; Ames test with S. typhimurium; and dominant-lethal mutagenicity test in mice (all negative).

The reference dose (RFD) based on a developmental study with rabbits (NOEL of 175 mg/kg bwt/day) and using a hundred-fold safety factor is calculated to be 2.0 mg/kg body weight/day. The theoretical maximum residue contribution (TMRC) for published tolerances is 0.021460 mg/kg bwt/day or 1.0% of the RFD for the overall U.S. population. This current action on oats will contribute 0.001644 mg/kg bwt/day to the TMRC. This will amount to a total of 0.082% of the RFD for the overall U.S. population. For U.S. subgroups, population, nonnursing infants, the current action and previously established tolerances utilize a total of 3.2% of the RFD, assuming that residue levels are at the established tolerance levels and that 100% of the crop is treated.

Data desirable for this petition include additional details for the processing study and composition of the foreign product. The Agency is granting the tolerance for oats with a 3-year expiration date to allow the petitioner, Monsanto Company, to provide the required data.

There are currently no actions pending against the continued registration of this pesticide. No detectable residues of N-nitrosoglyphosate, a contaminant of glyphosate, are expected to be present in the commodities for which tolerances are established. The carcinogenic potential of glyphosate was first considered by a panel, then called the Toxicology Branch AD Hoc Committee, in 1985. The Committee, in a consensus review dated March 4, 1985, classified glyphosate as a Group C carcinogen based on an increased incidence of renal tumors in male mice. The Committee also concluded that dose levels tested in the 26-month rat study were not adequate for assessment of glyphosate's carcinogenic potential in this species. These findings, along with additional information, including a reexamination of the data from the long-term mouse study, were referred to the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP). In its report dated February 24, 1986, SAP classified glyphosate as a Group D Carcinogen (inadequate animal evidence of carcinogenic potential). SAP concluded that, after adjusting for the greater survival in the high-dose mice compared to concurrent controls, that no statistically significant pairwise differences existed, although the trend was significant.

The SAP determined that the carcinogenic potential of glyphosate could not be determined from existing data and proposed that the rat and/or mouse studies be repeated in order to classify these equivocal findings. On reexamination of all information, the Agency classified glyphosate as a Group D carcinogen and requested that the rat study be repeated and that a decision on the need for a repeat mouse study would be made upon completion of review of the rat study.

Upon receipt and review of the second rat chronic feeding/carcinogenicity study, all toxicological findings for glyphosate were referred to the Health Effects Division. Carcinogenicity Peer Review Committee on June 26, 1991, for discussion and evaluation of the weight of evidence on glyphosate with particular emphasis on its carcinogenic potential. The Peer Review Committee classified glyphosate as a Group E (evidence of noncarcinogenicity for humans), based upon lack of convincing carcinogenicity evidence in adequate studies in two animal species. This classification is based on the following findings: (1) None of the types of tumors observed in the studies (pancreatic islet cell adenomas in male rat, thyroid c-cell adenomas and/or carcinomas in male and female rats, hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas in male rats, and renal tubular neoplasms in male mice) were determined to be compound related; (2) glyphosate was tested up to the limit dose on the rat and up to levels higher than the limit dose in mice; and (3) there is no evidence of genotoxicity for glyphosate. Accordingly, EPA concludes that glyphosate has not been "found to induce cancer when ingested by man or animal." 21 U.S.C. 348(c)(3).

The nature of the residue in plants is adequately understood. The residue to be regulated is the parent glyphosate. A dequate methodology (HPLC) with fluorometric detection is available for enforcement purposes, and the methodology has been published in the Pesticide Analytical Manual (PAM), Vol. II. The submitted residue data adequately support the proposed tolerances for primary residues occurring in milk, eggs, fat, liver, and kidney of cattle, goats, horses, hogs, and sheep be covered by existing tolerances.

Based on the information cited above, the Agency has determined that when used in accordance with good agricultural practice, this ingredient is useful and the tolerance established by amending 40 CFR part 180 will protect the public health. It is proposed, therefore, that the tolerance be established as set forth below.

Any person who has registered or submitted an application for registration of a pesticide under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) is invited to submit written comments on this proposal. Comments must bear a notation indicating the document control number, [6E4645/P672]. All written comments filed in response to this petition will be available in the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, at the address given above from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

A record has been established for this rulemaking under docket number [PP 6E4645/P672] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including copies of the paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in Rm. 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1201 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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.

The official record for this rulemaking, as well as the public version, as described above will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA will transfer any comments electronically originated, paper comments received and will place the paper copies in the rulemaking record which will
Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), the Agency must determine whether the regulatory action is "significant" and therefore subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the requirements of the Executive Order. Under section 3(f), the order defines a "significant regulatory action" as an action that is likely to result in a rule (1) Having an annual effect on the economy of $100 million or more, or adversely and materially affecting a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities (also referred to as "economically significant"); (2) creating serious inconsistency or otherwise interfering with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) materially altering the budgetary impacts of entitlement grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligation of recipients thereof; or (4) raising novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order. Pursuant to the terms of this Executive Order, EPA has determined that this proposed rule is not "significant" and is therefore not subject to OMB review.

This action does not impose any enforceable duty, or contain any "unfunded mandates" as described in Title II of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4), or require prior consultation as specified by Executive Order 12875 (58 FR 58093, October 28, 1993), entitled "Enhancing the Intergovernmental Partnership," or special consideration as required by Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 29, 1994). Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

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