

will be limited to residues on wheat and barley, and food derived from wheat and barley. Based on animal metabolism data and because there are no residues on the crops at time of harvest or at grazing intervals, we have concluded that there is reasonable expectation that no measurable residues of tralkoxydim will occur in meat, milk, poultry, or eggs from this use. Since tralkoxydim is a new herbicide, there are no other established U.S. tolerances for tralkoxydim.

Due to no detectable residues in grain at harvest, even after processing, the dietary risk assessment has been conducted on the basis of the limit of quantification of 0.1 mg/kg. This is significantly above (5×) the limit of detection of tralkoxydim residues of 0.02 mg/kg determined by ZENECA's analytical methods used in the magnitude of residue studies. However, even using a tolerance level of 0.1 mg/kg (limit of quantification) the chronic assessment for tralkoxydim indicates less than 10% of the RfD is consumed, for any given subpopulation, even assuming 100% market share. Based on a review of available toxicity data for tralkoxydim, there are no toxicological endpoints of concern for acute dietary risk.

Agricultural use of tralkoxydim on wheat and barley, therefore, does not represent an acute or chronic risk to the U.S. population, infants, children, or any other of the 23 subpopulations evaluated in this assessment.

2. *Drinking water.* Based on the available studies, exposures are not anticipated to residues of tralkoxydim in drinking water. Tralkoxydim does not leach. It is unlikely that tralkoxydim would be in drinking water. Tralkoxydim is unlikely to enter surface water bodies to any significant degree except by direct accidental over-spray. Should this arise, tralkoxydim will be readily degraded by one or more of a number of contributory processes; studies have shown that degradation in flooded anaerobic soil occurs with a half-life of approximately 25 days, aqueous hydrolysis (pH 5) with a half-life of less than 7 days and aqueous photolysis also with a half-life of less than 7 days. All these processes will ensure that any tralkoxydim entering surface water bodies will be short-lived and tralkoxydim will not result in any significant contamination of potential drinking water sources. Therefore, it is not appropriate to assess aggregate exposure from drinking water.

3. *Non-dietary exposure.* Since tralkoxydim is not registered for residential or turf uses, and does not represent a groundwater contamination

concern, exposures from other than dietary or occupational sources are extremely unlikely.

#### D. Cumulative Effects

Tralkoxydim is a new class of chemistry for herbicides used on wheat and barley. Although tralkoxydim is in the chemical class of compounds called cyclohexanediones, it is the only herbicide in this class to be used on wheat and barley crops. No evidence or information exists to suggest that the toxic effects produced by tralkoxydim would be cumulative with those of any other chemical compound.

#### E. Safety Determination

1. *U.S. population.* Using the conservative assumptions described above, based on the completeness and reliability of the toxicity data, the aggregate exposure to tralkoxydim will utilize less than 4% of the RfD for the U.S. Population. EPA generally has no concern for exposures below 100 percent of the RfD. There is reasonable certainty that no harm will result from aggregate exposure to residues of tralkoxydim, including all anticipated dietary exposure.

2. *Infants and children.* In assessing the potential for additional sensitivity for infants and children to residues of tralkoxydim, the three-generation reproductive study in rats and the developmental toxicity studies in the rat and rabbit were considered. Tralkoxydim showed no evidence of reproductive toxicity. Tralkoxydim caused no developmental toxicity in the rabbit. At a dose of 30 mg/kg/day, tralkoxydim caused some developmental effects in the rat manifested by skeletal defects including single fused or misshapen centra. The NOEL for developmental toxicity was established at 3 mg/kg/day.

Based on the current toxicological data requirements, the database relative to pre- and post-natal effects for children is complete. Further, for the chemical tralkoxydim, the NOEL at 0.5 mg/kg/day from the dog feeding study which was used to calculate the RfD, is already lower than the NOEL from the developmental study in rats by a factor of approximately 10-fold. In addition, residue field trials have shown that there are no detectable residues of tralkoxydim on wheat and barley, indicating negligible exposure potential. Therefore, an additional uncertainty factor is not warranted and the RfD at 0.005 mg/kg/day is appropriate for assessing aggregate risk to infants and children.

The percentage of the RfD that will be utilized by aggregate exposure to

tolerance level residues of tralkoxydim are: 2% for nursing infants, 6% for children 1–6 years, and 5% for children 7–12 years. Therefore, there is reasonable certainty that there will be no harm to these sensitive subgroups of the U.S. population. The agricultural use of tralkoxydim on wheat and barley does not represent an acute or chronic risk to the U.S. population, infants, children or any of the 23 subgroups that were evaluated.

#### F. International Tolerances

There are no Codex Maximum Residue Levels established for tralkoxydim. (PM 25)

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–64033; FRL 5724–7]

### Notice of Receipt of Requests for Amendments to Terminate the Use of Methamidophos on All Crops Except Cotton and Potatoes, and to Cancel All Methamidophos 24(c) Food-Use Registrations Not Labeled for Use on Tomatoes Only

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: 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 receipt of requests for amendment by Bayer Corporation and Valent USA, the sole U.S. registrants of the insecticide methamidophos, to terminate the use of methamidophos on all agricultural crops except cotton and potatoes by deleting uses from all methamidophos FIFRA section 3 registrations, and to cancel all section 24(c) food-use registrations not labeled for use on tomatoes only.

**DATES:** Public comment on this notice, in order to be considered, must be received by August 1, 1997. Unless EPA publishes a notice in the **Federal Register** modifying this notice, EPA will approve these use terminations and product cancellations and make them effective on December 29, 1997, subject to the existing stocks provision specified herein.

**ADDRESSES:** By mail, submit comments to the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW.,

Washington, DC 20460. In person, deliver comments to Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Jeff Morris, Special Review Branch, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508W), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number and e-mail: Special Review Branch, 3rd floor, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA, (703) 308-8029; e-mail: morris.jeff@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 cancelled or amended to terminate one or more uses. The Act further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register** and provide for a 30-day public comment period. Thereafter, the Administrator of EPA

may approve such a request, unless the Administrator determines, in the case of a pesticide that is registered for a minor agricultural use, that the cancellation or termination of uses would adversely affect the availability of the pesticide for use. If such a determination is made, unless certain exceptions apply, the Administrator may not approve or reject a request until 180 days have passed from the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the notice of receipt. Methamidophos is registered for minor agricultural uses that are affected by the request to terminate uses and cancel registrations.

**II. Background**

EPA conducted an occupational risk assessment that estimated risks associated with short and intermediate-term exposures of agricultural workers to methamidophos. The assessment indicated that the risks to workers of acute exposure exceeded EPA's level of concern. In addition to the risk assessment, EPA had California and nationwide human incident data indicating acute worker exposure incidents associated with methamidophos use. EPA met with Bayer and Valent, the sole U.S. methamidophos registrants, on August 1, 1996, to present EPA's concerns and discuss voluntary measures to reduce

risk. At the meeting, the registrants proposed the use terminations and product cancellations announced in this notice, as well as other measures including additional spray drift language, a phase-in of closed mixing and loading systems, and participation in industry-wide education efforts.

**III. Intent to Terminate Uses and Cancel Registrations**

This notice announces receipt of the methamidophos registrants' requests to terminate uses and cancel registrations under sections 3 and 24(c) of FIFRA, and provides notice of EPA's intent to accept those requests. In letters dated November 12, 1996, and February 21, 1997, Bayer and Valent requested that their FIFRA section 3 registrations be amended to terminate (by use deletion) the use of methamidophos on broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, and sugar beets, and that their section 24(c) registrations labeled for melons, cucumbers, lettuce, alfalfa, bermuda grass, peppers, clover, and eggplant be cancelled, leaving tomatoes as the only remaining food use with methamidophos 24(c) registrations. The registrations for which the registrants have requested use terminations and product cancellations are listed in the following table:

TABLE 1. — METHAMIDOPHOS REGISTRATIONS WITH REQUESTS FOR AMENDMENTS TO TERMINATE USES OR CANCEL CERTAIN PESTICIDE REGISTRATIONS

Registration No.	Product Name	Action Requested	Terminate from Label/Cancel Registration
3125-280	Monitor 4 Insecticide	Terminate Uses	broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, sugar beets
569639-56	Monitor 4 Spray	Terminate Uses	broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, sugar beets
AZ89002000	Monitor 4 Spray	Cancel Registration	alfalfa, seed crop; bermuda grass, seed crop
AZ82001300	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	alfalfa, seed crop; bermuda grass, seed crop
CA83006400	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	alfalfa, seed crop; clover, seed crop
AZ93000500	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	head lettuce, crisp head types only
FL89000600	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	head lettuce, crisp head types only
AZ90001100	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	head lettuce, crisp head types only
CA80018600	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	head lettuce, crisp head types only
FL81001200	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	head lettuce, crisp head types only
AZ93000600	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	melons
FL89001100	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	melons
LA91001100	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	melons
TX89000800	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	melons
CA88002100	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	melons
FL81003400	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	melons
GA90000400	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	melons, cucumbers
LA91000900	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	melons, cucumbers
TX84002000	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	melons
FL89001200	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	cucumbers
GA90000500	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	cucumbers, melons

TABLE 1. — METHAMIDOPHOS REGISTRATIONS WITH REQUESTS FOR AMENDMENTS TO TERMINATE USES OR CANCEL CERTAIN PESTICIDE REGISTRATIONS—Continued

Registration No.	Product Name	Action Requested	Terminate from Label/Cancel Registration
LA91001000	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	cucumbers
FL81000900	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	cucumbers
FL89001000	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	eggplant
GA90000100	Monitor 4 L.I.	Delete Eggplant Use Only	eggplant
GA86000400	Monitor 4 Spray	Delete Eggplant Use Only	eggplant
FL81003300	Monitor 4 Spray	Cancel Registration	eggplant
FL89001300	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	cabbage
CA84021800	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	celery
CA87001400	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	roses
FL89001400	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	lettuce; Boston, bibb, romaine, and leaf
FL92001200	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	lettuce; Boston, bibb, romaine, and leaf
FL96001300	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers
FL96000300	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	peppers
GA93000600	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers
GA93000700	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	peppers
LA91001200	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	peppers
TX89000700	Monitor 4 Spray	do.	peppers
CA88002000	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers
LA91000700	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers
NM82000800	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers
TX82001900	Monitor 4 L.I.	do.	peppers

#### IV. Public Comment Procedures

EPA invites interested persons to submit written comments in response to this notice of receipt of requests to terminate uses and cancel registrations. Comments, to be considered, must be received by August 1, 1997. Comments must bear a notation indicating the document control number. Three copies of the comments should be submitted to either location listed under "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this notice.

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. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1132, at the address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

#### V. Public Record

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice under docket number [OPP-64033] (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 notice record is located at the address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:  
[opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov](mailto: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. Comment and data will also be accepted on disks in Wordperfect 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number [OPP-64033]. Electronic comments on this notice may

be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

#### VI. Existing Stocks

For the purposes of this notice, existing stocks will be defined as those stocks of methamidophos products with EPA registration numbers 3125-280 and 59639-56 not labeled for potatoes and cotton only, and Special Local Need (24c) food-use registrations not labeled for use on tomatoes only, that were packaged, labeled, and/or released for shipment prior to December 31, 1997. After December 31, 1997, methamidophos registrants may not sell or distribute existing stocks of cancelled methamidophos products or methamidophos products containing the terminated uses, and dealers and distributors may not sell any quantity of cancelled methamidophos products, or methamidophos products containing the terminated uses, to end users. End users may use existing stocks until such stocks are exhausted.

#### VII. Proposed Use Termination and Registration Cancellation Order

The registrants' request for use terminations and product cancellations will be accepted and will take effect on

December 29, 1997, subject to the above-noted existing stocks provision, unless EPA publishes a notice in the **Federal Register** modifying this proposed order.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Agricultural commodities, Pesticides  
and pests.

Dated: June 16, 1997.

#### Jack E. Housenger,

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

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### FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

#### Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than July 29, 1997.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago** (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer)  
230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago,  
Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *Community National Bancorporation*, Waterloo, Iowa; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting

shares of Community National Bank (in organization), Waterloo, Iowa.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis** (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *Commercial Bancshares, Inc.*, Texarkana, Arkansas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Citizens State Bank, Hempstead, Texas.

**C. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas** (Genie D. Short, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *TNB Bancorporation, Inc.*, Brenham, Texas, and TNB Bancorporation of Delaware, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware; to become bank holding companies by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Texas National Bank, Brenham, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 27, 1997.

#### Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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### FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

#### Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than July 18, 1997.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Thomas J., and S. June Remington*, both of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Ada E. Remington, McCook, Nebraska; to acquire shares of Clatonia Bancshares, Inc., Clatonia, Nebraska, and thereby indirectly acquire Farmers Bank of Clatonia, Clatonia, Nebraska.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 27, 1997.

#### Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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### FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Dkt. C-3733]

#### 1554 Corporation, et al.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent Order.

**SUMMARY:** In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, the California company, doing business as The Mellinger Company, and its president from making any unsubstantiated success, profitability, performance, benefits, efficacy or success rate claims with regard to a business opportunity product or service. The consent order also prohibits the respondents from using testimonials or endorsements that make deceptive or unsubstantiated representations.

**DATES:** Complaints and Order issued April 14, 1997.<sup>1</sup>

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Justin Dingfelder, FTC/S-4302, Washington, D.C. 20580. (202) 326-3017.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On Wednesday, February 5, 1997, there was published in the **Federal Register**, 62 FR 5412, a proposed consent agreement with analysis in the Matter of 1554 Corporation, et al., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

<sup>1</sup> Copies of the Complaint and the Decision and Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, H-130, 6th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.