

information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Small businesses, regulatory agency staff, technical assistance program staff, consultants, university-staff.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 26,220 annually.

Frequency of Response: phone-survey: annual; on-line surveys: bi-annual; fax-back surveys: bi-annual; phone interviews: annual.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,760 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$30,360.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No.1815.01 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460 and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503

Dated: September 8, 1997.

Rick Westlund,

Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00501; FRL-5741-8]

Reduced Risk Initiative for Pesticides

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a final Pesticide Registration (PR) Notice entitled "Guidelines for Expedited Review of Conventional Pesticides under the Reduced-Risk Initiative and for Biological Pesticides." EPA proposed this policy for 30 days of public comment on June 18, 1997 (62 FR 33078). Interested parties may request a copy of the Agency's final policy as set forth in the ADDRESSES unit of this notice.

ADDRESSES: The PR Notice is available by contacting the person whose name appears under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Richard Keigwin, Registration Division (7505C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Rm. 713A, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5447, e-mail: keigwin.richard@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability:

Internet

Electronic copies of this document and the PR Notice are available from the EPA home page at the Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under "Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgrstr/>).

Fax on Demand

Using a faxphone call 202-401-0527 and select item 6101 for a copy of the PR notice.

I. Background

This **Federal Register** notice announces the availability of the PR Notice entitled "Guidelines for Expedited Review of Conventional Pesticides under the Reduced-Risk Initiative and for Biological Pesticides." This PR Notice responds to the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA) which requires that EPA expedite the review of applications for registration of pesticides which:

1. Reduce the risks of pesticides to human health.
2. Reduce the risks of pesticides to nontarget organisms.
3. Reduce the potential for contamination of groundwater surface water or other valued environmental resources.
4. Broaden the adoption of integrated pest management strategies, or make such strategies more available or more effective.

The purpose of the PR Notice is to provide the process and criteria to guide applicants in developing their reduced-risk submissions. The PR Notice supersedes the criteria published in **Federal Register** Notices of, July 20, 1992 (57 FR 32140), and January 22, 1993 (58 FR 5854), and PR Notice 93-9, July 21, 1993. The goal of the Reduced-Risk Pesticide Initiative and of the Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division is to encourage the development, registration, and use of lower-risk pesticide products which would result in reduced risks to human health and the environment when compared to existing alternatives.

II. Public Comments

Public comments submitted concerning the draft PR Notice and the

issues listed in the previous FR Notice of Availability were fully considered before this notice was made final. All public comments, as well as a summary of the Agency's responses to those comments, are filed in the Office of Pesticides Programs' Docket Office under docket number "OPP-00485." The public record is located in Rm. 1132, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5805.

List of Subjects

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

Dated: September 4, 1997.

Daniel M. Barolo,

Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

September 5, 1997.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. For further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418-1379.

Federal Communications Commission

OMB Control No.: 3060-0704.

Expiration Date: 02/28/98.

Title: Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace, Implementation of Section 254(g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, CC Docket No. 96-61.

Form No.: N/A.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 519 respondents; 146 hours per response (avg.); 75,895 total annual burden hours for all collections.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$435,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, annual, one-time requirement.

Description: In the Order on Reconsideration issued in CC Docket