

obtained as a result of the testing required by EPA's notification may provide a basis for further regulatory action.

V. Economic Impact

Although the total cost for the testing requirements is significant, the cost is being shared among many F/FA manufacturers. Therefore, the actual cost to an individual F/FA manufacturer is expected to be modest. The F/FA regulations at 40 CFR 79.58(d) contain special provisions for those fuel or fuel additive manufacturers whose total annual sales are less than \$50 million, exempting these parties from the requirements discussed in this document.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 79

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Gasoline, Conventional gasoline, Oxygenates, Methyl tertiary butyl ether, Motor vehicle pollution.

Dated: November 17, 1998.

Robert Perciasepe,

Assistant Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6199-6]

Proposed Settlement; Polymers and Resins I and IV Emission Standard Litigation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Partial Settlement; Request for Public Comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act ("Act"), notice is hereby given of a proposed partial settlement of *Wellman, Inc. et al. v. EPA*, No. 96-1419 (D.C. Cir.) and *Union Carbide Corporation, et al. v. EPA*, No. 96-1413 (D.C. Cir.). For a period of thirty days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the settlement from persons who were not named as parties to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice is authorized under section 113(g) to withdraw its consent to the Settlement Agreement if appropriate in light of the public comments.

The cases involve challenges to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions:

Group I Polymers and Resins, published in the **Federal Register** at 61 FR 46906 on September 5, 1996, and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions: Group IV Polymers and Resins published in the **Federal Register** at 61 FR 48208 on September 12, 1996.

DATES: Written comments on the Settlement Agreement must be received by January 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Mark Dyner, Office of General Counsel (2333), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-5085. Copies of the Settlement Agreement are available from Phyllis Cochran, Air and Radiation Law Office (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-7606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There is a separate proposed partial settlement agreement ("agreement") for each case; however, the issues addressed in the agreements and the proposed resolution of those issues are in most relevant respects the same. The agreements are both between EPA and the petitioner, The Dow Chemical Company. For the convenience of interested parties, following is a brief summary of some of the key points of the agreements.

The agreements require EPA to conduct notice and comment rulemaking proposing (1) changes in the subject rules to resolve certain differences between the rules and the Hazardous Organic NESHAP ("HON"); (2) clarification of the applicability provisions regarding additions to plant sites; (3) revision of the applicability provisions that address primary product determinations to better address contract manufacturing practices; (4) simplification of the provisions applicable to batch process vents; and (5) revisions to certain reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7413(g)) requires, with exceptions not pertinent here, that EPA publish notice of settlement agreements in the **Federal Register** and provide a reasonable opportunity for public comment. EPA or the Department of Justice may withhold consent to the proposed settlement if the comments disclose facts or circumstances that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, inadequate or inconsistent with the requirements of the Clean Air Act.

Dated: December 2, 1998.

Scott Fulton,

Acting General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL 6199-5]

Proposed Settlement, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed consent decree and settlement agreement; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed consent decree and settlement agreement in litigation instituted against the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") by the Coalition for Clean Air, Inc., National Resources Defense Council, Inc., and Communities for a Better Environment (collectively, "plaintiffs"). This lawsuit, originally filed in September 1997 and supplemented in October 1998, concerns EPA's January 8, 1997 approval under the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq., of the 1994 ozone California state implementation plan for the South Coast Air Basin ("1994 SIP") 62 FR 1150.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed consent decree and settlement agreement must be received by January 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to David Jesson, Air Division (AIR-2), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, (415) 744-1288. Copies of the proposed consent decree and settlement agreement are available from Mr. Jesson. Copies of the proposed consent decree and settlement agreement have been lodged with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In *Coalition for Clean Air, et al. v. EPA*, No. 97-6916 (C.D. CA), plaintiff allege, among other things, that EPA failed to adopt certain mobile source measures that the State of California attempted to "assign" to EPA in the 1994 SIP and failed to conduct certain activities with respect to the public consultative process provided for in EPA's approval of the 1994 SIP.

In order to resolve this matter without protracted litigation, the plaintiffs and EPA have reached agreement on a proposed consent decree and settlement agreement that have been signed by the parties and lodged with the District Court on November 13, 1998. The proposed consent decree provides that EPA shall conclude the public consultative process in accordance with the schedule set forth therein. The accompanying proposed settlement agreement provides that EPA will undertake certain actions regarding Federal agencies and Federal mobile source ozone control measures in the South Coast Air Basin.

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed consent decree and settlement agreement from persons who were not named as parties or intervenors to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed consent decree and settlement agreement if the comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act.

Dated: December 2, 1998.

Scott Fulton,

Acting General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6198-4]

Request for Great Lakes Preproposals Through "FY1999-2000 Great Lakes Priorities and Funding Guidance"

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of funding availability.

SUMMARY: EPA's Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO) is now requesting the submission of preproposals for GLNPO funding. This request is part of the *FY1999-2000 Great Lakes Priorities and Funding Guidance* (Funding Guidance). The Great Lakes Funding Guidance identifies Great Lakes priorities, solicits preproposals for assistance projects, and describes other Federal Great Lakes funding opportunities.

DATES: The deadline for submission of preproposals is January 15, 1999.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Funding Guidance is available on the Internet at

<http://www.epa.gov/glnpo/fund/99guid.html>. It is also available from Lawrence Brail (312-886-7474/brail.lawrence@epa.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Russ, EPA-GLNPO, G-17J, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604 (312-886-4013/russ.michael@epamail.epa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: USEPA's Great Lakes National Program Office is requesting Preproposals for Great Lakes projects addressing: Contaminated Sediments (\$1.4 million), Pollution Prevention and Reduction—Binational Toxics Strategy (\$800 thousand); Habitat (Ecological) Protection and Restoration (\$1 million); Exotic Species (\$300 thousand); and Emerging Issues (\$300 thousand). A total of \$3.8 million is targeted for awards in the Summer and Fall of 1999. A "roadmap" section describes some of the other Great Lakes Federal funding available through USEPA, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Federal Highway Administration.

Dated: November 30, 1998.

Gary V. Gulezian,

Director, Great Lakes National Program Office, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-181065; FRL 6047-8]

Malathion and Diazinon; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption, Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received a quarantine exemption request under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant") to use the pesticides malathion (CAS No. 121-75-5), formulated as Fyfanon ULV (EPA Registration No. 4787-8 and 51036-104) and diazinon (CAS No. 333-41-5), formulated as Diazinon 4-E (EPA Registration No. 769-687) to treat areas within Florida where nonindigenous subtropical fruit flies (various species in the family *Tephritidae*) are found. This notice provides a 30-day period for public comment on the request.

Four geographically distinct infestations of the Mediterranean fruit fly (*Ceratitis capitata*) were discovered in Florida in 1998. In addition, a widespread outbreak of the Mediterranean fruit fly was discovered in central Florida in 1997. In order to ensure that this pest did not become established in Florida, the Applicant and the State of Florida used the pesticides identified above, along with the release of sterile Mediterranean fruit flies and other measures, to eradicate the outbreaks.

The pesticide use that takes place related to exotic fruit fly eradication is occurring under the authorities of FIFRA section 18. Because EPA is interested in engaging stakeholders affected by important programs undertaken under section 18, the Agency is invoking its discretionary authority under 40 CFR 166.24(a)(7) and, through the publication of this notice, is soliciting public comment with respect to the eradication scheme proposed by the Applicant.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing Section 18 cite that the Administrator may determine that it is appropriate to publish a notice of receipt of an application for a quarantine exemption request [40 CFR 166.24 (a)(7)]. Such notice provides for opportunity for public comment on the application.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments, bearing the identification notation "OPP-181065," should be submitted by mail to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Follow the instructions under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted in any 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 provided by the