

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PF-847A; FRL-6056-8]

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the amendment of pesticide petition (PP 7F4870), proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities.

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket control number PF-847A, must be received on or before February 19, 1999.

ADDRESSES: By mail submit written comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (7502C), Information Resources and Services Division, Office of Pesticides Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person bring comments to: Rm. 119, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Follow the instructions under "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." No confidential business information should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this document may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). CBI should not be submitted through e-mail. Information marked as CBI 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. 119 at the address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Joanne Miller, Product Manager (PM-23) Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location/telephone and e-mail address: Rm. 237, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA, 703-305-6224, e-mail: miller.joanne@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has received a pesticide petition as follows proposing the establishment and/or amendment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a. EPA has determined that these petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting of the petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petition.

The official record for this notice of filing, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice of filing under docket control number [PF-847A] (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 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

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 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number [PF-847A] and appropriate petition number. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Food additives, Feed additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

James Jones,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

Summary of Petition

Petitioner summary of the pesticide petition is printed below as required by section 408(d)(3) of the FFDCA. The summary of the petition was prepared by the petitioner and represents the

view of the petitioner. EPA is publishing the petition summary verbatim without editing them in any way. The petition summary announces the availability of a description of the analytical methods available to EPA for the detection and measurement of the pesticide chemical residues or an explanation of why no such method is needed.

Amended Petition

PP 7F4870. In the **Federal Register** of December 2, 1998 (63 FR 66535) (FRL-6043-2), EPA issued a notice that BASF Corporation, P.O. Box 13528, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709-3528 proposed pursuant to section 408(d) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing a tolerance for residues of the herbicide quinclorac (3,7-dichloro-8-quinoline carboxylic acid) in or on the raw agricultural commodities wheat and sorghum as follows: 0.5 parts per million (ppm) (wheat grain), 0.1 ppm (wheat straw), 1.0 ppm (wheat forage), 0.5 ppm (wheat hay), 1.0 ppm (wheat bran), 1.5 ppm (wheat germ), 0.75 ppm (wheat shorts), 0.5 ppm (sorghum grain), 0.2 ppm (sorghum forage) and 0.05 ppm (sorghum fodder).

BASF Corporation has submitted to EPA an amended petition proposing to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing a tolerance for residues of quinclorac (3,7-dichloro-8-quinoline carboxylic acid) in or on the raw agricultural commodities wheat and sorghum as follows: 0.5 ppm (wheat grain), 0.1 ppm (wheat straw), 1.0 ppm (wheat forage), 0.5 ppm (wheat hay), 0.75 ppm (wheat germ), 6.0 ppm (grain sorghum, grain), 3.0 ppm (grain sorghum, forage), 1.0 ppm (grain sorghum, stover) and 1200 ppm (aspirated grain fractions). Based on the estimated dietary burden from the established and the proposed uses in this petition, increased tolerances are proposed in the established fat tolerances for cattle, goats, hogs, horses and sheep to 0.7 ppm, and the meat byproducts for cattle, goats, hogs, horses and sheep to 1.5 ppm.

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Kuraray America, Inc.; Pesticide Tolerance Petition Filing

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).