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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability. As background information, electronic copies of the Rodenticide Cluster and Zinc Phosphide REDs and RED fact sheets are available on the internet. See <http://www.epa.gov/REDs>. Additional information concerning the schedule and activities of the Rodenticide Stakeholder Workgroup will in the future also be posted on the Agency's web page.

The Rodenticide Stakeholder Workgroup is composed of a balanced group of participants from the following sectors: Federal agencies and State, local, and Tribal governments; consumer and environmental/public interest groups, including representatives from the general public; medical community; the public health community; pesticide/rodenticide industry; and user groups.

Rodenticide Stakeholder Workgroup meetings are open to the public. Outside statements are welcome. Oral statements will be limited to 5 minutes per individual or group. Any person who wishes to file a written statement can do so before or after a Workgroup meeting. These statements will become part of the permanent file and will be provided to the Workgroup members for their information.

The Agency is concerned about accidental poisonings of young children by rodenticide products. Data collected by the American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC) for 1995 showed approximately 15,000 exposure cases to children younger than 6 years of age. Of the total number of human exposure cases involving rodenticides in 1995, almost 6,500 were significant enough to result in treatment at a health care facility.

During the Rodenticide Cluster Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) and the Zinc Phosphide RED process, the Agency investigated several regulatory measures that could mitigate these risks, but wanted to ensure that

any adopted measures were consistent with public health values and priorities. Therefore, the Agency is initiating a rodenticide stakeholder process to develop a risk mitigation strategy to protect young children from rodenticide products while preserving the public health benefits of these products. The stakeholder process will consist of a series of meetings that will be open to the public. The workgroup is made up of individuals or representatives from organizations who will discuss and analyze several mitigation proposals, ultimately concluding with recommendations to the PPDC and the Agency on how to further mitigate risks to young children from rodenticide poisonings.

The Rodenticide Stakeholder Workgroup will hold its first meeting March 30, 1999, at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia. The Agency envisions holding three more meetings. The Agency proposes the following tentative dates for the other three meetings: May 6; June 10, and July 14, 1999. Specific times and locations will be announced.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: February 5, 1999.

Lois Rossi,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34162A; FRL-6065-8]

Chlorfenapyr; Availability of Risk and Benefit Assessments; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On January 20, 1999, EPA issued a Notice of Availability of Risk and Benefit Assessments for the pesticide chlorfenapyr. The document announced the availability of risk and benefit assessments related to EPA's consideration of American Cyanamid's application for registration of the pesticide chlorfenapyr (Pirate®, Alert®) on cotton. The Agency issued the Notice of Availability of Risk and Benefit Assessments to: (1) Present its

assessment of the risks posed by chlorfenapyr residues in the environment; (2) present its assessment of the benefits arising from use on cotton; and (3) request public comment on key scientific and policy questions raised by this application for registration. EPA has received a large number of comments on this Notice. Because of the broad interest in this matter and the complexity of the issues, and the large influx of comments late in the comment period, EPA believes that providing additional time to the public to comment would be helpful. Therefore, EPA is extending, until March 2, 1999 the comment period for persons wishing to submit comments on the materials referred to in the Notice of Availability.

DATES: Comments must be submitted to EPA by March 2, 1999.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments identified by the docket control number OPP-34162 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: Environmental Protection Agency, 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 Unit II. of this document. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

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. The public docket is available for public inspection in Rm. 119 at the Virginia address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Paper copies of the risk and benefit assessments will be made available in the OPP docket at the address listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Sibold, Chemical Review Manager, PM Team 10, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

Electronic copies of this document are available from the EPA Home Page at the Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>). The risk and benefit assessments have been posted on the EPA-Office of Pesticide Program (OPP) Home Page at the following address: www.epa.gov/pesticides/reg_assessment.

I. Background

In the **Federal Register** of January 20, 1999 (64 FR 3091) (FRL-6053-2), EPA issued a Notice of Availability of Risk and Benefit Assessments for the pesticide chlorfenapyr. EPA has made available the risk and benefit assessments for the pesticide chlorfenapyr, which has not been included in any previously registered products. The information in these risk and benefit assessments supplements the information provided in the notice of receipt of application for registration of a pesticide (63 FR 66534, December 2, 1998) (FRL-6046-6) issued pursuant to section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. The Agency is making the risk and benefit assessments available for public notice and comment prior to making a regulatory decision on this compound. Comments received within the specified time period will be considered before a final decision is made. Comments received after the time specified will be considered only to the extent possible without delaying the regulatory decision.

II. Public Record and Submission of Electronic Comments

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice under docket number OPP-34162 (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 OPP-34162. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: February 19, 1999.

James Jones,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-30468; FRL-6062-1]

Certain Companies; Applications to Register Pesticide Products

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of applications to register pesticide products containing new active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by March 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments identified by the document control number [OPP-30468] and the file symbols 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: Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., 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 (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

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. The public docket is available for public inspection in Rm. 119 at the Virginia address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Mary Waller, Product Manager (PM-21), Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Rm. 249, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703) 308-9354, e-mail: waller.mary@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA received applications as follows to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provision of section 3(c)(4) of FIFRA. Notice of receipt of these applications does not imply a decision by the Agency on the applications.

I. Products Containing Active Ingredients Not Included In Any Previously Registered Products

1. File Symbol: 66330-GA. Applicant: Tomen Agro Inc., 100 First St., Suite 1610, San Francisco, CA 94105. Product Name: Fenhexamid Technical. TM-402 Fungicide. Active ingredient: *N*-(2,3-Dichloro-4-hydroxyphenyl)-1-methylcyclohexanecarboxamide 97.8%. Proposed classification/Use: None. For formulation into end-use pesticides used for disease control in grapes, strawberries, and ornamentals.

2. File Symbol: 66330-GL. Applicant: Tomen Agro, Inc. Product Name: Elevate 50 WDG Fungicide. TM-402 Fungicide. Active ingredient: *N*-(2,3-Dichloro-4-hydroxyphenyl)-1-methylcyclohexanecarboxamide 50.0%. Proposed classification/Use: None. For agricultural and horticultural use only; for control of *Botrytis* diseases of grapes, strawberries, and ornamentals.

Notice of approval or denial of an application to register a pesticide product will be announced in the **Federal Register**. The procedure for requesting data will be given in the **Federal Register** if an application is approved.

Comments received within the specified time period will be considered before a final decision is made; comments received after the time