

The Applicant proposes to apply buprofezin at a maximum rate of 2.0 lbs. active ingredient (a.i.) per acre with a maximum of one application per crop season on up to 100,000 acres of citrus. Therefore, use under this exemption could potentially amount to a maximum total of 200,000 lbs. of a.i., buprofezin.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 require publication of a notice of receipt in the **Federal Register** for an application for a specific exemption proposing the use of a new (unregistered) chemical. Such notice provides for opportunity for public comment on the application.

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established under docket number (OPP-181068) (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 the paper record maintained 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. Comments 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 number (OPP-181068). Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Emergency exemptions.

Dated: February 26, 1999

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Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6304-6]

Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-1997

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of document availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Draft Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-1997 is available for public review. Annual U.S. emissions for the period of time from 1990-1997 are summarized and presented by source category and sector. The inventory contains estimates of CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFCs, PFCs, and SF₆ emissions, as well as estimated emissions of VOCs, NO_x, CO, and HFCs. The approach used to estimate emissions for the greenhouse gases was adapted from the methodologies recommended by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. The U.S. Greenhouse Gas Inventory is being prepared to provide a basis for the ongoing development of a comprehensive and accurate system to identify and quantify emissions and sinks of greenhouse gases in the U.S. It will serve as part of the U.S. submission to the Secretariat of the Framework Convention on Climate Change and to contribute to the updates to the U.S. Climate Action Report. To ensure your comments are considered for the final version of this document, please submit your comments prior to April 9, 1999. However, comments received after that date will still be welcomed and will be considered for the next edition of this report.

DATES: Comments are requested by April 9, 1999.

ADDRESSES: You may electronically download the document referenced above on the US EPA's homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/globalwarming/inventory>. For those without access to EPA's homepage, please send requests for a copy of the document to: Environmental Protection Agency, Climate Policy and Programs Division (2175), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, Fax: (202) 260-6405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Wiley Barbour, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, Climate Policy and Programs Division, (202) 260-6972.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may view and download the document referenced above on the US EPA's homepage at www.epa.gov/globalwarming/inventory. If you wish to

send an email with your comments you may sent the email to barbour.wiley@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: February 16, 1999.

David Gardiner,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Policy.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6308-8]

Notice of Availability: Y2K Enforcement Policy

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Availability: Y2K Enforcement Policy.

SUMMARY: On November 30, 1998, EPA issued an enforcement policy designed to encourage prompt testing of computer-related equipment to ensure that environmental compliance is not impaired by the Y2K computer bug. Under the policy (published on the Internet at www.epa.gov/year2000), EPA stated its intent to waive 100% of the civil penalties that might otherwise apply, and to recommend against criminal prosecution, for environmental violations caused during specific tests that are designed to identify and eliminate Y2K-related malfunctions. The policy also stated that the civil penalty waiver and recommendation against criminal prosecution are limited to testing-related violations disclosed to EPA by February 1, 2000, and are subject to certain conditions, such as the need to design and conduct the tests well in advance of the dates in question, the need to conduct the tests for the shortest possible period of time necessary, the need to correct any testing-related violations immediately, and other conditions to ensure that protection of human health and the environment is not compromised. Today's notice publishes the entire policy for the first time in the **Federal Register**, to increase public awareness of this incentive to test computer-related systems and to incorporate several minor revisions aimed at clarifying the policy in response to public comment. The policy published today contains no major changes to the eligibility criteria announced on November 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Additional copies of the policy can be obtained on the Internet at www.epa.gov/year2000, and through EPA's Enforcement and Compliance Docket Information Center (ECDIC), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Room