

with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt is an endocrine disrupter, where as substances with molecular weights greater than 400 generally are not absorbed through the intact skin, and substances with molecular weights greater than 1,000 generally are not absorbed through the intact GI tract. Chemicals not absorbed through the skin or GI tract generally are incapable of eliciting a toxic response.

#### C. Aggregate Exposure

1. *Dietary exposure*—i. *Food*. 2,5-Furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt is not absorbed through the intact GI tract and is considered incapable of eliciting a toxic response.

ii. *Drinking water*. Based upon the aqueous insolubility of 2,5-furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt, there is no reason to expect human exposure to residues in drinking water.

2. *Non-dietary exposure*. Although there may be exposures to the 2,5-furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt through dietary, and/or non-occupational sources, the chemical characteristics of this compound are such that there is reasonable certainty of no harm from aggregate exposure.

#### D. Cumulative Effects

There is no reasonable expectation of any increased risk due to cumulative exposure to 2,5-furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt since polymers with molecular weights greater than 400 generally are not absorbed through the intact skin, and substances with molecular weights greater than 1,000 generally are not absorbed through the intact GI tract. Chemicals not absorbed through the skin or GI tract generally are incapable of eliciting a toxic response.

#### E. Safety Determination

1. *U.S. population*. 2,5-Furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt causes no safety concerns because it conforms to the definition of a low risk polymer given in 40 CFR 723.250(b) and, as such, is considered incapable of eliciting a toxic response. Also, there are no additional pathways of exposure (non-occupational, drinking water, etc.) where there would be additional risk.

2. *Infants and children*. 2,5-Furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt causes no additional concern to infants and children because it conforms to the definition of a low risk polymer given in 40 CFR 723.250(b) and, as such, is

considered incapable of eliciting a toxic response. Also, there are no additional pathways of exposure (non-occupational, drinking water, etc.) where infants and children would be at additional risk.

#### F. International Tolerances

Huntsman is not aware of any country requiring a tolerance for 2,5-furandione, polymer with (1-methylethenyl)benzene, sodium salt, nor have there been any CODEX maximum residue levels established for any food crops at this time.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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#### Proposed CERCLA Prospective Purchaser Agreement; Green Industries Site; City of Sharonville (Cincinnati), Hamilton County, Ohio

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*, and the authority of the Attorney General of the United States to compromise and settle claims of the United States as delegated, notice is hereby given of a proposed prospective purchaser agreement concerning the Green Industries Corporation site at 3603 East Kemper Road, in Sharonville (Cincinnati), Hamilton County, Ohio 45241, with the Port Authority for Brownfield Redevelopment in Cincinnati and Hamilton County ("the Port Authority"). The agreement requires the Port Authority to pay \$500.00 to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund; to commence participation in the Ohio EPA Voluntary Action Program ("VAP") and, thereafter, to use its best efforts to perform such investigation, characterization and remediation activities as are necessary to attain VAP cleanup standards and/or attain a VAP Covenant Not to Sue; and to provide to U.S. EPA access to the site and to records kept by the Port Authority, retaining any such records for at least five (5) years after the effective date of the agreement. The agreement includes U.S. EPA's covenant not to sue or to take any other civil or administrative action against the Port Authority for any and all civil liability

for injunctive relief or reimbursement of response costs pursuant to Sections 106 or 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607(a), with respect to existing contamination at or from the site. The United States will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the agreement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The United States' response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604. Please contact Richard R. Wagner at (312) 886-7947 to make arrangements to inspect the comments.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 9, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604. A copy of the proposed agreement may be obtained from Richard R. Wagner, at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (C-14J), Chicago, IL 60604, phone (312) 886-7947. Comments should reference the Green Industries Corporation prospective purchaser agreement, and should be addressed to Richard R. Wagner.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard R. Wagner, at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (C-14J), Chicago, IL 60604, phone (312) 886-7947.

Dated: March 27, 2000.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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#### BMI Textron Superfund Site; Notice of Proposed Settlement

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Settlement.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to enter into a settlement with the BMI Textron Corporation for response cost pursuant to Section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9622(h)(1) concerning the BMI Textron Site located in Lake Park, Florida.. EPA will