

review and assess all relevant information, including the court's opinion and any additional analyses and technical information, that could shed additional light on the appropriate response to the remand. We intend to publish our schedule for considering the relevant information and responding to the remand by mid-2001.

Request for Comments

We are soliciting comments on the data analyses and preliminary findings in our draft report that is now available, to better inform future actions to reduce the health risk that may be posed by potential exposures of exercising asthmatics to short-term peaks of SO₂. More specifically, we solicit comments on the following: the appropriateness of using 1-hour average SO₂ monitoring data as one element in our efforts to estimate the potential for 5-minute peak concentrations greater than or equal to 0.6 ppm SO₂; the usefulness of these types of analyses in identifying the need for additional monitoring or other actions and the sources likely to contribute to high 5-minute SO₂ concentrations; and, for the purpose of assessing the need for additional monitoring around SO₂ sources, the appropriateness of using just the hourly maximum 5-minute average SO₂ concentrations, rather than all the 5-minute averages in an hour, including any relevant data storage and management considerations. We will consider this information in the context of taking final action on the proposed ILP, conducting future analyses of 5-minute SO₂ air quality data, responding to the ALA remand and conducting the next periodic review of the SO₂ NAAQS.

Dated: January 3, 2001.

Robert Perciasepe,

Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6931-2]

Underground Injection Control Program; Hazardous Waste Injection Restrictions; Petition for Exemption—Class I Hazardous Waste Injection; MERISOL USA LLC

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Final Decision on a No Migration Petition Reissuance.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an exemption to the land disposal restrictions under the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act has been granted to MERISOL USA LLC (Merisol) for a Class I injection well located at Houston, Texas. As required by 40 CFR part 148, the company has adequately demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Agency by the petition and supporting documentation that, to a reasonable degree of certainty, there will be no migration of hazardous constituents from the injection zone for as long as the waste remains hazardous. This final decision allows the underground injection by Merisol, of the specific restricted hazardous wastes identified in the exemption, into a Class I hazardous waste injection well No. WDW-319 at the Houston, Texas facility, until December 31, 2010, unless EPA moves to terminate the exemption under provisions of 40 CFR 148.24. As required by 40 CFR 148.22(b) and 124.10, a public notice was issued October 30, 2000. The public comment period closed on December 7, 2000. No comments were received. This decision constitutes final Agency action and there is no Administrative appeal.

DATES: This action is effective as of December 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the petition and all pertinent information relating thereto are on file at the following location: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Water Quality Protection Division, Source Water Protection Branch (6WQ-S), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Philip Dellinger, Chief Ground Water/UIC Section, EPA—Region 6, telephone (214) 665-7165.

Joan Brown,

Acting Division Director, Water Quality Protection Division (6WQ).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-66282; FRL-6761-3]

Notice of Receipt of Requests to Voluntarily Cancel Certain Pesticide Registrations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide,

Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of requests by registrants to voluntarily cancel certain pesticide registrations.

DATES: Unless a request is withdrawn by July 9, 2001, unless indicated otherwise, orders will be issued canceling all of these registrations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: James A. Hollins, Office of Pesticide Programs (7502C), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location for commercial courier delivery, telephone number and e-mail address: Rm. 224, Crystal Mall No. 2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703) 305-5761; e-mail address: hollins.james@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. Although this action may be of particular interest to persons who produce or use pesticides, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the information in this notice, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How Can I Get Additional Information or Copies of Support Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov>. To access this document, on the Home page select "Laws and Regulations" "Regulations and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listing at (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>).

2. *In person.* Contact James A. Hollins at 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Mall 2, Rm. 224, Arlington, VA, telephone number (703) 305-5761. Available from 7:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday thru Friday, excluding legal holidays.

II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

This notice announces receipt by the Agency of applications from registrants to cancel some 31 pesticide products registered under section 3 or 24(c) of FIFRA. These registrations are listed in sequence by registration number (or

company number and 24(c)number) in the following Table 1:

TABLE 1. — REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION

| Registration No. | Product Name | Chemical Name |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 000264 OR-96-0017 | Mocap 10% Granular Nematicide Insecticide | O-Ethyl S,S-dipropyl phosphorodithioate |
| 000264 OR-96-0018 | Mocap EC Nematicide - Insecticide | O-Ethyl S,S-dipropyl phosphorodithioate |
| 000279 OR-78-0020 | Thiodan 50WP Insecticide | 6,7,8,9,10-Hexachloro-1,5,5a,6,9,9a-hexahydro-6,9-methano-2,4,3-benzodioxathiepin-3-oxide |
| 000352 TX-97-0004 | Dupont Staple Herbicide | Sodium 2-chloro-6-(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl-thio)benzoate |
| 000352 WA-93-0006 | Dupont Escort Herbicide | Methyl 2-((((4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)amino)carbonyl) |
| 000498-00155 | Spraypak Wasp Jet Spray | <i>o</i> -Isopropoxyphenyl methylcarbamate |
| 000498-00165 | Spraypak Wasp Spray | <i>o</i> -Isopropoxyphenyl methylcarbamate (Butylcarbityl)(6-propylpiperonyl) ether 80% and related compounds 20% Pyrethrins |
| 000498-00168 | Spraypak Wasp Long Range Jet Spray, Formula 2 | <i>o</i> -Isopropoxyphenyl methylcarbamate |
| 000538-00011 | Scotts Halts Crabgrass Preventer | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 000538-00053 | Scotts Super Halts Plus | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 000538-00077 | Crabgrass Preventer and Dandelion Control Plus Fertilizer | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid 2-(2-Methyl-4-chlorophenoxy)propionic acid |
| 000538-00129 | Pro-turf Fertilizer and Crabgrass Preventer | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 000538-00156 | Turf Builder Plus Halts for Lawns | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 002935-00481 | Parathion 4 Spray | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> - <i>p</i> -nitrophenyl phosphorothioate |
| 002935-00483 | Parathion 8 Aqua | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> - <i>p</i> -nitrophenyl phosphorothioate |
| 003125 TX-84-0005 | Guthion 2 L | <i>O,O</i> -Dimethyl S-((4-oxo-1,2,3-benzotriazin-3(4 <i>H</i>)-yl)methyl) phosphorodithioate |
| 005481 ID-97-0003 | Vapam Soil Fumigant Solution for All Crops | Sodium <i>N</i> -methylidithiocarbamate |
| 005481 OR-83-0012 | Vapam Soil Fumigant Solution | Sodium <i>N</i> -methylidithiocarbamate |
| 005905-00513 | Parathion 4E Emulsifiable Insecticide Concentrate | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> - <i>p</i> -nitrophenyl phosphorothioate |
| 005905-00514 | Parathion 8E Emulsifiable Insecticide Concentrate | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> - <i>p</i> -nitrophenyl phosphorothioate |
| 010163-00197 | Betasan 2.9E | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 010163-00202 | Betasan 46% Manufacturing Concentrate | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 010163-00203 | Betasan 3.6G + Fertilizer | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 010163 CA-97-0001 | Prefar 6-E Herbicide | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 010163 OR-94-0023 | Prefar 4-E Herbicide | S-(<i>O,O</i> -Diisopropyl phosphorodithioate) ester of <i>N</i> -(2-mercaptoethyl)benzenesulfonamide |
| 010292-00017 | Liquid Residual Spray Insecticide | <i>o</i> -Isopropoxyphenyl methylcarbamate <i>N</i> -Octyl bicycloheptene dicarboximide (Butylcarbityl)(6-propylpiperonyl) ether 80% and related compounds 20% Pyrethrins |
| 010900-00067 | 858 P.D. Aqueous Roach & Ant Spray | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> -(3,5,6-trichloro-2-pyridyl) phosphorothioate (Butylcarbityl)(6-propylpiperonyl) ether 80% and related compounds 20% Pyrethrins |
| 051036-00180 | Micro Flo C0./ Parathion 8E | <i>O,O</i> -Diethyl <i>O</i> - <i>p</i> -nitrophenyl phosphorothioate |

TABLE 1. — REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION—Continued

| Registration No. | Product Name | Chemical Name |
|-------------------|--|--|
| 062719-00344 | DMA 4 IVM | Dimethylamine 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetate |
| 062719 TX-95-0011 | Lorsban 50W Insecticide In Water Soluble Packets | O,O-Diethyl O-(3,5,6-trichloro-2-pyridyl) phosphorothioate |
| 073049 WA-86-0019 | 3.91% Liquid Concentrate Prodigb | Gas cartidge (as a device for burrowing animal control) |
| | | Gibberellic acid |
| | | Gibberellic acid |
| | | Gibberellic acid |
| | | Gibberellic acid |
| | | N6-Benzyladenine, mixture with Gibberellins A4 and A7 |

Note: Registrants for EPA Registrations 010900-67 and 051036-180 waived the comment period and cancellation of these two products are effective upon publication of this FEDERAL REGISTER notice.

Unless a request is withdrawn by the registrant within 180 days (30 days when requested by registrant) of publication of this notice, orders will be issued canceling all of these registrations. Users

of these pesticides or anyone else desiring the retention of a registration should contact the applicable registrant during this comment period.

The following Table 2, includes the names and addresses of record for all registrants of the products in Table 1, in sequence by EPA company number:

TABLE 2. — REGISTRANTS REQUESTING VOLUNTARY CANCELLATION

| EPA Company No. | Company Name and Address |
|-----------------|---|
| 000264 | Aventis CropScience USA LP, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. |
| 000279 | FMC Corp. Agricultural Products Group, 1735 Market St, Philadelphia, PA 19103. |
| 000352 | E. I. Du Pont De Nemours, Inc., Barley Mill Plaza, Walker's Mill, Wilmington, DE 19880. |
| 000498 | Chase Products Co, Putting The Best At Your Fingertips, Box 70, Maywood, IL 60153. |
| 000538 | The Scotts Co., 14111 Scottslawn Rd, Marysville, OH 43041. |
| 002935 | Wilbur Ellis Co., 191 W. Shaw Ave, #107, Fresno, CA 93704. |
| 003125 | Bayer Corp., Agriculture Division, 8400 Hawthorn Rd, Box 4913, Kansas City, MO 64120. |
| 005481 | Amvac Chemical Corp., Attn: Jon C. Wood, 4695 Macarthur Ct., Suite 1250, Newport Beach, CA 92660. |
| 005905 | Helena Chemical Co, 6075 Poplar Ave., Suite 500, Memphis, TN 38119. |
| 010163 | Gowan Co, Box 5569, Yuma, AZ 85366. |
| 010292 | Venus Laboratories, Inc., 855 Lively Blvd, Wood Dale, IL 60191. |
| 010900 | Sherwin-Williams Consumer Group, 601 Canal Rd., Cleveland, OH 44113. |
| 051036 | Micro-Flo Co, Box 772099, Memphis, TN 38117. |
| 062719 | Dow Agrosciences LLC, 9330 Zionsville Rd 308/3E, Indianapolis, IN 46268. |
| 073049 | Valent Biosciences Corp., 870 Technology Way, Libertyville, IL 60048. |

III. Loss of Active Ingredients

Unless the request for cancellation is withdrawn, one pesticide active ingredient will no longer appear in any registered products. Those who are concerned about the potential loss of this active ingredient for pesticidal use are encouraged to work directly with the registrant(s) to explore the possibility of withdrawing their request for cancellation. The active ingredients listed in the following Table 3, with the CAS Number and EPA Company Number.

TABLE 3. — ACTIVE INGREDIENTS WHICH WOULD DISAPPEAR AS A RESULT OF REGISTRANT'S REQUEST TO CANCEL

| CAS No. | Chemical Name | EPA Company No. |
|------------|---|-----------------|
| 53663-71-1 | N6-Benzyladenine, mixt. with Gibberellins A4 and A7 | 073049 |

IV. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA, provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may at

any time request that any of its pesticide registrations be amended to delete one or more uses. The Act further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**. Thereafter, the Administrator may approve such a request.

V. Procedures for Withdrawal of Request

Registrants who choose to withdraw a request for cancellation must submit such withdrawal in writing to James A. Hollins, at the address given above, postmarked before July 9, 2001, unless indicated otherwise. This written withdrawal of the request for

cancellation will apply only to the applicable 6(f)(1) request listed in this notice. If the product(s) have been subject to a previous cancellation action, the effective date of cancellation and all other provisions of any earlier cancellation action are controlling. The withdrawal request must also include a commitment to pay any reregistration fees due, and to fulfill any applicable unsatisfied data requirements.

VI. Provisions for Disposition of Existing Stocks

The effective date of cancellation will be the date of the cancellation order. The orders effecting these requested cancellations will generally permit a registrant to sell or distribute existing stocks for 1-year after the date the cancellation request was received by the Agency. This policy is in accordance with the Agency's statement of policy as prescribed in the **Federal Register** of June 26, 1991 (56 FR 29362) (FRL 3846-4). Exception to this general rule will be made if a product poses a risk concern, or is in noncompliance with reregistration requirements, or is subject to a data call-in. In all cases, product-specific disposition dates will be given in the cancellation orders.

Existing stocks are those stocks of registered pesticide products which are currently in the United States and which have been packaged, labeled, and released for shipment prior to the effective date of the cancellation action. Unless the provisions of an earlier order apply, existing stocks already in the hands of dealers or users can be distributed, sold or used legally until they are exhausted, provided that such further sale and use comply with the EPA-approved label and labeling of the affected product(s). Exceptions to these general rules will be made in specific cases when more stringent restrictions on sale, distribution, or use of the products or their ingredients have already been imposed, as in Special Review actions, or where the Agency has identified significant potential risk concerns associated with a particular chemical.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Agricultural commodities, Pesticides
and pests.

Dated: December 21, 2000.

Richard D. Schmitt,

Director, Information Resources and Services
Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OW-FRL-6931-1]

Nutrient Criteria Development; Notice of Ecoregional Nutrient Criteria

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Ecoregional Nutrient Criteria for Lakes and Reservoirs, Rivers and Streams, and Wetlands.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is publishing seventeen Ecoregional Nutrient Criteria Documents for lakes and reservoirs, rivers and streams and wetlands within specific geographic regions (ecoregions) of the United States. These recommended section 304(a) water quality criteria for nutrients were developed with the aim of reducing and preventing eutrophication on a National scale. Each document presents recommended criteria for causal parameters (total phosphorus and total nitrogen) and response variables (chlorophyll a and some form of turbidity). This information is intended to serve as a starting point for States, authorized Tribes and others to develop more refined nutrient criteria, as appropriate, using EPA waterbody-specific technical guidance manuals and other scientifically defensible approaches. EPA will work with States and authorized Tribes as they adopt water quality criteria for nutrients into their water quality standards. EPA expects States and authorized Tribes to adopt or revise EPA ecoregional nutrient criteria published in 2000 into State or Tribal water quality standards by 2004.

Under the Clean Water Act, States, Territories, and authorized Tribes adopt into their water quality standards water quality criteria to protect designated uses. The criteria recommendations presented in these documents are guidance that States, territories, and authorized Tribes may use as a starting point for developing their own criteria as part of their water quality standards. EPA strongly encourages States, Territories and authorized Tribes to refine these recommendations based on the key elements of nutrient criteria development (historical information, reference conditions, models, consideration of downstream effects, and expert judgment) discussed in EPA's published Technical Guidance Manuals (Lakes and Reservoirs: EPA-822-B00-001; Rivers and Streams: EPA-822-B-00-002). While the seventeen documents available today contain EPA's scientific recommendations regarding ecoregional

nutrient criteria, the information and recommendations are not regulations, and do not impose legally binding requirements on EPA, States, Territories, authorized Tribes, or the public. As recommendations, they might not apply to a particular situation based upon the circumstances. States, Territories, and authorized Tribes retain the discretion to adopt water quality criteria based on other scientifically defensible approaches to developing regional or local nutrient criteria that differ from these recommendations. EPA may revise these section 304(a) water quality criteria in the future.

EPA is making these recommended section 304(a) nutrient water quality criteria available to the public in accordance with the Agency's process for publishing new and revised criteria (see **Federal Register**, December 10, 1998, 63 FR 68354 and in the EPA document titled, National Recommended Water Quality—Correction EPA 822-Z-99-001, April 1999). EPA invites the public to provide scientific views on these criteria. EPA will review and consider information submitted by the public on significant scientific issues and site-specific data that might not have otherwise been identified by the Agency during development of these criteria. After EPA reviews the submitted significant scientific information, the Agency may publish revised nutrient water quality criteria, or publish a notice informing the public that the submitted information does not warrant revision of the criteria.

EPA encourages the public to provide additional data that could help States and or authorized Tribes to refine these recommended nutrient water quality criteria. EPA has identified specific sections within each document where public input would greatly assist States and authorized Tribes in the task of augmenting the database for deriving ecoregional nutrient water quality criteria. For example, the public can provide information concerning the historical conditions and trends of the water resources within an ecoregion related to cultural eutrophication. EPA will forward all comments received on a particular ecoregional criterion or set of criteria to the appropriate State or Tribe to help foster water quality criteria refinement.

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