

7. Budget (Please provide with a narrative explanation for the following categories):

- a. Personnel.
- b. Fringe Benefits.
- c. Contractual Costs.
- d. Travel.
- e. Equipment.
- f. Supplies.
- g. Other.
- h. Total Direct Costs (add a–g).
- i. Total Indirect Costs (must include documentation of accepted indirect rate).
- j. Total Cost (add h and i).

Costs proposed in the budget must be linked directly to the proposal. For example, if there is travel in connection with recruiting efforts, the budget should reflect travel costs.

8. Attach a one page resume for key personnel conducting the project.

#### IX. Where and When To Submit

Please submit intents to apply by March 28, 2003 Intents to Apply must be e-mailed, faxed, or mailed to the Project Officer, Linda Zarow. If Intents to Apply are mailed, they must be received by March 28, 2003. Only those submitting an "Intent to Apply" will be given the conference call-in number for pre-application assistance (please see section X "Pre-application Assistance"). Send "Intents to Apply" to: Linda Zarow, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, DC 20004; mail code 6101A; Rm 5433; fax: (202) 501-1004; email: [zarow.linda@epa.gov](mailto:zarow.linda@epa.gov). Please include organization name, contact, and phone number.

Please submit proposals by April 29, 2003 (Remember, the Intent to Apply is not required and will have no bearing on the judging process, we recommend it for the benefit of our planning process only.) Please submit an original and three copies of the proposal. Submission of the Intent to Apply does not commit the applicant to submit a proposal. Submission of an Intent to Apply or a proposal does not guarantee funding. Electronic proposals will be accepted.

#### X. Pre-Application Assistance

To ensure that every interested party has equal opportunity to gain any needed additional administrative information useful to the application process, the Office of Air and Radiation has scheduled one conference call. The call will take place on April 10, 2003 from 10 AM to 12 PM EST. A call-in number will be provided to those who submit an Intent to Apply. Questions and answers from this conference call will be summarized and posted on OAR's web-site. The web-site address

will be available at the pre-application assistance conference. Federal rules protecting applicants' equal access to information prohibit any other contact that would result in information given to some but not all applicants. Therefore, as much as it desires to encourage all interested applicants, EPA can give no other assistance prior to final submission of applications. Requests for information outside the context of this conference call cannot be answered. The content of the call is entirely dependent upon questions asked.

#### XI. Notification of Proposal Receipt

If the applicant includes a stamped, self-addressed postcard along with proposal, the applicant will be notified of proposal receipt.

#### XII. Notification of Unsuccessful Offerors

The Office of Air and Radiation will notify all unsuccessful offerors no later than 60 days after notifying the selected applicant.

#### XIII. Completed Application Packages

*Completed application package:* Applies only to the selected applicant. The selected applicant will be contacted by the Project Officer and will be requested to submit a complete application. Instruction on how to obtain an application tool kit will be provided at that time. The application must be postmarked or received by regular or express mail on or before midnight May 30, 2003. Please provide an original and six copies. Electronic applications will be accepted.

The application package should be submitted to Linda Zarow at: Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. Rm. 5433, Washington DC 20004; mail code 6101A. Courier or personally delivered applications must be brought to the same address.

#### XIV. Executive Order 12372

The applicant selected for funding will be required to provide a copy of the proposal to their designated State Point of Contact for review, pursuant with Executive Order 12372. This review is not required of initial proposals; only to the selected applicant.

#### XV. Award Date

Subject to the availability of funding, awards should be made by August 1, 2003 for placement in the summer term 2004.

#### XVI. Dispute Resolution Process

The Agency will resolve any disputes arising from this solicitation pursuant to

the procedures outlined at 40 CFR 30.63 and § 31.70, subpart F.

#### XVII. Applicable Regulations and OMB Circulars

The applicant selected will abide by 40 CFR part 30, OMB Circular A-122, and OMB Circular A-133.

#### XVIII. Confidential Business Information

If any portion of an applicant's proposal is comprised of confidential business information (CBI), appropriate pages should be so marked at the top of each page.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Zarow, USEPA, Office of Air and Radiation, Immediate Office, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004, Mail Code 6101A, Rm 5433. Telephone (202)564-7431; Fax (202) 501-1004; or e-mail: [zarow.linda@epa.gov](mailto:zarow.linda@epa.gov).

Dated: March 7, 2003.

**Elizabeth Craig,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0353; FRL-7286-3]

#### Experimental Use Permit; Receipt of Applications

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces receipt of applications 68467-EUP-3, 68467-EUP-5, 68467-EUP-T, 68467-EUP-I, 29964-EUP-1, 29964-EUP-3, 29964-EUP-U, and 29964-EUP-L from Mycogen Seeds/Dow Agrosocieties LLC and Pioneer Hi-Bred International requesting experimental use permits (EUPs) and EUP amendments for 1) *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 14352) in corn, 2) *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 12560) in corn, 3) *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 17662) in corn, and 4) *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 17658) in corn.

The Agency has determined that the applications may be of regional and national significance. Therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR 172.11(a), the Agency is soliciting comments on these applications.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by docket ID number OPP-2002-0353, must be received on or before April 14, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mike Mendelsohn, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511C), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8715; e-mail address: mendelsohn.mike@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to those persons who are interested in agricultural biotechnology or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also be interested, 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 applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?*

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP-2002-0353. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis

Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. EPA's policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA's electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA's electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. EPA intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA's electronic public docket.

For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EPA's electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the

copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Public comments submitted on computer disks that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be transferred to EPA's electronic public docket. Public comments that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be scanned and placed in EPA's electronic public docket. Where practical, physical objects will be photographed, and the photograph will be placed in EPA's electronic public docket along with a brief description written by the docket staff.

*C. How and To Whom Do I Submit Comments?*

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket ID number in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." EPA is not required to consider these late comments. If you wish to submit CBI or information that is otherwise protected by statute, please follow the instructions in Unit I.D. Do not use EPA Dockets or e-mail to submit CBI or information protected by statute.

1. *Electronically.* If you submit an electronic comment as prescribed in this unit, EPA recommends that you include your name, mailing address, and an e-mail address or other contact information in the body of your comment. Also include this contact information on the outside of any disk or CD ROM you submit, and in any cover letter accompanying the disk or CD ROM. This ensures that you can be identified as the submitter of the comment and allows EPA to contact you in case EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment. EPA's policy is that EPA will not edit your comment, and any identifying or contact information provided in the body of a comment will be included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment.

i. *EPA Dockets.* Your use of EPA's electronic public docket to submit comments to EPA electronically is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/>, and

follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select "search," and then key in docket ID number OPP-2002-0353. The system is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail.* Comments may be sent by e-mail to opp-docket@epa.gov, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0353. In contrast to EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system is not an "anonymous access" system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the docket without going through EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by EPA's e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM.* You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in Unit I.C.2. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By mail.* Send your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency (7502C), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20460-0001, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0353.

3. *By hand delivery or courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0353. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation as identified in Unit I.B.1.

#### *D. How Should I Submit CBI To the Agency?*

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically through EPA's electronic public docket or by e-mail. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is CBI). Information so marked will not be

disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket. If you submit the copy that does not contain CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

#### *E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?*

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

## **II. Background**

Both Mycogen Seeds/Dow AgroSciences LLC and Pioneer Hi-Bred International have applied to amend EUPs 68467-EUP-3, 68467-EUP-5, 29964-EUP-1, and 29964-EUP-3 for *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 14352) in corn and *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 12560) in corn to allow plant material grown under these EUPs to be used for food and/or feed. The original notice of approval for these EUPs published in the **Federal Register** on February 20, 2002 (67 FR 7688)

(FRL-6820-3). Under the original notice, the Cry34/35Ab1 proteins were described as 149B1 protein since they had not yet received their *Bacillus thuringiensis* Pesticidal Crystal Proteins Nomenclature designation, [http://www.biols.susx.ac.uk/home/Neil\\_Crickmore/Bt/](http://www.biols.susx.ac.uk/home/Neil_Crickmore/Bt/). These proteins have now been designated as Cry34Ab1 and Cry35Ab1 by the *Bacillus thuringiensis* Pesticidal Crystal Proteins Nomenclature Committee, a non-governmental scientific committee.

Mycogen Seeds/Dow AgroSciences LLC and Pioneer Hi-Bred International have also applied for EUPs involving *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 17662) in corn, and *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34/35Ab1 protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (from the insert of plasmid PHP 17658) in corn. These EUPs have been proposed as non-crop destruct.

For Mycogen Seeds/Dow AgroSciences LLC, 394 acres each are proposed under 68467-EUP-I and 68467-EUP-T for testing in Colorado, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin. Testing is to include maize breeding and observation nursery, maize agronomic observation, herbicide tolerance, maize efficacy, insect resistance management, and maize demonstration trials.

For Pioneer Hi-Bred International, 623 acres are proposed under 29964-EUP-U and 624 acres are proposed under 29964-EUP-L for testing in California, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin. Testing is to include insect resistance management, maize agronomic observation, maize breeding and observation nursery, maize demonstration, maize efficacy, maize hybrid production plots, maize regulatory field studies, non-target organism, and herbicide tolerance trials.

## **III. What Action is the Agency Taking?**

Following the review of the Mycogen Seeds/Dow Agrosciences LLC and Pioneer Hi-Bred International's applications and any comments and data received in response to this notice, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny these EUP requests. Any issuance of EUPs will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

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

The specific legal authority for EPA to take this action is under FIFRA section 5.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection,  
Experimental use permits.

Dated: March 5, 2003.

**Janet L. Andersen,**

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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**EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES**

**Notice of Open Special Meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank).**

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee was established by Public Law 98-181, November 30, 1983, to advise the Export-Import Bank on its programs and to provide comments for inclusion in the reports of the Export-Import Bank of the United States to Congress.

*Time and Place:* Monday, March 24, 2002, at 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Ex-Im Bank in Room 1143, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571.

*Agenda:* Agenda items include an introduction of Advisory Committee responsibilities, a legislative update, introduction of topics for the year, and discussion of the Advisory Committee's recommendations to Ex-Im Bank.

*Public Participation:* The meeting will be open to public participation, and the last 10 minutes will be set aside for oral questions or comments. Members of the public may also file written statement(s) before or after the meeting. If any person wishes auxiliary aids (such as a sign language interpreter) or other special accommodations, please contact, prior

to March 17, 2003, Michele Kuester, Room 1243, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, Voice: (202) 565-3766 or TDD (202) 565-3377.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michele Kuester, Room 1243, 811 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20571, (202) 565-3766.

**Peter Saba,**

General Counsel.

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**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting**

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*Previously Announced Date and Time:* Thursday, February 27, 2003, meeting open to the public. This meeting was cancelled.

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*Previously Announced Date and Time:* Thursday, March 6, 2003: The following item has been added to the agenda: Administrative fines—final rules and explanation and justification.

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*Previously Announced Date and Time:* Friday, March 14, 2003, meeting open to the public. This meeting was cancelled.

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*Date and Time:* Tuesday, March 18, 2003, at 10 a.m.

*Place:* 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

*Status:* This meeting will be closed to the public.

*Items to be Discussed:* Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

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*Date and Time:* Thursday, March 20, 2003, at 10 a.m.

*Place:* 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC. (ninth floor).

*Status:* This meeting will be open to the public.

*Items to be Discussed:* Correction and approval of minutes.

Notice of proposed rulemaking on public funding of Presidential primary and general election candidates and conventions.

Administrative matters.

*Person to Contact for Information:* Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Mary W. Dove,**

Secretary of the Commission.

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**FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules**

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans #	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
<b>Transactions Granted Early Termination—12/30/2002</b>			
20030207	Albert G. Lowenthal	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.
20030212	General Motors Corporation	DaimlerChrysler AG	New Venture Gear of Indiana, LLC.
20030215	The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation.	Hoover's, Inc	Hoover's, Inc.
20030225	Blackstone Capital Partners IV Merchant Banking Fund L.P.	Northrop Grumman Corporation	Automotive Holdings Corp.
20030230	Barry Diller	Entertainment Publications, Inc	Entertainment Publications, Inc.
20030231	AmerisourceBergen Corporation	Whitney V, L.P	US Bioservices Corporation.
20030233	MDU Resources Group, Inc	PG&E Corporation	Mountain View Power Partners, LLC.