

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-8544-4]

**Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of a Meeting of the Integrated Nitrogen Committee****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of its Integrated Nitrogen Committee.**DATES:** The meeting dates are Wednesday, April 9, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. through Friday, April 11, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Eastern Time).**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Latham Hotel Georgetown, 3000 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20007; telephone (202) 625-1881.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Members of the public who wish to obtain further information about this meeting may contact Ms. Kathleen White, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by mail at EPA SAB Staff Office, (1400F), U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at: (202) 343-9878; by fax at (202) 233-0643; or by e-mail at: [white.kathleen@epa.gov](mailto:white.kathleen@epa.gov). General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice, may be found on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

*Background:* The SAB Integrated Nitrogen Committee is studying the need for integrated research and strategies to reduce reactive nitrogen in the environment. At the global scale, reactive nitrogen from human activities now exceeds that produced by natural terrestrial ecosystems. Reactive nitrogen both benefits and impacts the health and welfare of people and ecosystems. Scientific information suggests that reactive nitrogen is accumulating in the environment and that nitrogen cycling

through biogeochemical pathways has a variety of consequences. Research suggests that the management of reactive nitrogen should be viewed from a systems perspective and integrated across environmental media.

Accordingly, linkages between reactive nitrogen induced environmental and human health effects need to be understood to optimize reactive nitrogen research and risk management strategies. Information on the Committee's previous meetings was published on January 17, 2007 (72 FR 1989), March 22, 2007 (72 FR 3492), August 14, 2007 (72 FR 4542) and November 20, 2007 (72 FR 65340) and is also available on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

At the upcoming public meeting, the SAB Integrated Nitrogen Committee will: (1) Hear briefings on programs that affect how reactive nitrogen is managed; (2) develop materials needed to create a draft report; (3) plan additional work and writing, and (4) other committee business.

*Availability of Meeting Materials:* As they become available, the agenda and materials for this meeting will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

*Procedures for Providing Public Input:* Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB to consider on the topics included in this advisory activity and/or the group conducting the activity. *Oral Statements:* In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Ms. White, DFO, at the contact information provided above, by April 2, 2008, to be placed on the public speaker list for the April 9-11, 2008 meeting.

*Written Statements:* Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by April 2, 2008, so that the information may be made available to the SAB for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in electronic format via e-mail at the contact information provided above (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

*Accessibility:* For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Ms. Kathleen White at (202) 343-9878, or via e-mail at: [white.kathleen@epa.gov](mailto:white.kathleen@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Ms. White, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA

as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: March 13, 2008.

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[EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0162; FRL-8354-3]

**Napropamide; Notice of Receipt of Request to Voluntarily Amend to Terminate Uses of Napropamide 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 a request by two registrants to voluntarily amend their napropamide registrations to terminate certain uses. The request would terminate napropamide use in or on apple, apricot, artichoke, avocado, cherry, fig, grapefruit, lemons, nectarine, olive, orange, peach, pear, pistachio, plum, pomegranate, prunes, tangerine, tangelo and walnut crops. The request would not terminate the last napropamide product registered for use in the United States. EPA intends to grant this request at the close of the comment period for this announcement unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of the request, or unless the registrant withdraws its request within this period. Upon acceptance of this request, any sale, distribution, or use of products listed in this notice will be permitted only if such sale, distribution, or use is consistent with the terms as described in the final order.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 18, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0162, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- *Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0162. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change and may be made available on-line at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or e-mail. The regulations.gov website is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. 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. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

*Docket:* All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available in regulations.gov. To access the electronic docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, select "Advanced Search," then "Docket Search." Insert the docket ID number where indicated and select the "Submit" button. Follow the instructions on the regulations.gov website to view the docket index or access available documents. Although, listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be

publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either in the electronic docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPP Regulatory Public Docket in Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. The hours of operation of this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

James Parker, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 306-0469; fax number: (703) 308-7070; e-mail address: [parker.james@epa.gov](mailto:parker.james@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may 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. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?*

*1. Submitting CBI.* Do not submit this information to EPA through regulations.gov or e-mail. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, 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 claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes 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. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

*2. Tips for preparing your comments.* When submitting comments, remember to:

- i. Identify the document by docket ID number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).
- ii. Follow directions. The Agency may ask you to respond to specific questions or organize comments by referencing a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part or section number.
- iii. Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes.
- iv. Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/or data that you used.
- v. If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.
- vi. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns and suggest alternatives.
- vii. Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.
- viii. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

**II. Background on the Receipt of Requests to Cancel and/or Amend Registrations to Delete Uses**

This notice announces receipt by EPA of a request from registrants Gharda Chemicals Limited and Gharda Polymers USA, Inc. (Gharda) to delete several uses from their napropamide product registrations. Napropamide is an herbicide used to control broad leaf weeds and grasses on various fruit and vegetable crops. In an e-mail dated February 1, 2008, Gharda requested EPA to terminate use on the following commodities: Apple, apricot, artichoke, avocado, cherry (fruit), fig, grapefruit, lemons, nectarine, olive, orange, peach, pear, pistachio, plum, pomegranate, prunes, tangerine, tangelo and walnut crops. The specific products for which Gharda is requesting these use deletions are identified in Table 1 of this notice. These product registration amendments will not terminate the last napropamide product registered for use in the United States.

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

This notice announces receipt by EPA of a request from Gharda to amend its napropamide product registrations to terminate the following uses: Apple, apricot, artichoke, avocado, cherry (fruit), fig, grapefruit, lemons, nectarine, olive, orange, peach, pear, pistachio, plum, pomegranate, prunes, tangerine, tangelo and walnut crops. The affected

products and the registrants making the request are identified in Tables 1 and 2 of this unit.

Under section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, registrants may request, at any time, that their pesticide registrations be canceled or amended to terminate one or more pesticide uses. Section 6(f)(1)(B) of FIFRA requires that before acting on a request for voluntary cancellation, EPA must provide a 30-day public comment period on the request for voluntary cancellation or use termination. In

addition, section 6(f)(1)(C) of FIFRA requires that EPA provide a 180-day comment period on a request for voluntary cancellation or termination of any minor agricultural use before granting the request, unless:

1. The registrants request a waiver of the comment period, or
2. The Administrator determines that continued use of the pesticide would pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment.

The napropamide registrants have requested that EPA waive the 180-day comment period. Accordingly, EPA will provide a 30-day comment period on the proposed request.

Unless this request is withdrawn by one of the registrant within 30 days of publication of this notice, or unless the Agency determines that there are substantive comments that warrant further review of this request, an order will be issued amending the affected registrations.

TABLE 1.—NAPROPAMIDE PRODUCT REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION

Registration Number	Product Name	Company
33658–22	Gharda Napropamide Technical	Gharda Chemicals LTD
83223–1	Napropamide 80 MUP	Gharda Polymers USA Inc.
83223–4	Regatta 75WG Agricultural Herbicide	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc.
83223–5	Regatta 75WG Ornamental Herbicide	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc.
83223–6	Regatta 2G Ornamental Herbicide	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc.
83223–7	Regatta Ornamental Herbicide	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc.
83223–8	Regatta 10G Herbicide	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc.

TABLE 2.—REGISTRANTS REQUESTING VOLUNTARY CANCELLATION AND/OR AMENDMENTS

EPA Company Number	Company Name and Address
33658	Gharda Chemicals LTD 660 Newtown – Yardley Road, STE 105 Newtown, Pennsylvania 18940
83223	Gharda Polymers USA, Inc. 660 Newtown – Yardley Road, STE 105 Newtown, Pennsylvania 18940

#### 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 canceled or amended to terminate one or more uses. FIFRA further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**. Thereafter, following the public comment period, the Administrator may approve such a request.

#### V. Procedures for Withdrawal of Request and Considerations for Reregistration of Napropamide

Registrants who choose to withdraw a request for cancellation must submit such withdrawal in writing to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, postmarked before April 18, 2008. This written withdrawal of the request for cancellation will apply only to the applicable FIFRA section 6(f)(1) request listed in this notice. If the products have been subject to a previous cancellation action, the effective date of cancellation and all other provisions of any earlier cancellation action are controlling.

#### VI. Provisions for Disposition of Existing Stocks

Existing stocks are those stocks of registered pesticide products which are currently in the United States and which were packaged, labeled, and released for shipment prior to the effective date of the cancellation action.

If the request for voluntary use termination is granted as discussed in this unit, the Agency intends to issue a cancellation order that will allow persons other than the registrant to continue to sell and/or use existing stocks of cancelled products until such stocks are exhausted, provided that such use is consistent with the terms of the previously approved labeling on, or that accompanied, the cancelled product.

The order will specifically prohibit any use of existing stocks that is not consistent with such previously approved labeling. If, as the Agency currently intends, the final cancellation order contains the existing stocks provision just described, the order will be sent only to the affected registrants of the cancelled products. If the Agency determines that the final cancellation order should contain existing stocks provisions different than the ones just described, the Agency will publish the cancellation order in the **Federal Register**.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

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