

quarantine reasons. FIFRA section 24(c) authorizes the States to register additional uses of federally registered pesticides for distribution and use within the State to meet a special local need (SLN). A State-issued registration under FIFRA section 24(c) is deemed a federal registration for the purposes of the pesticide's use within the State's boundaries. A State must notify EPA, in writing, of any action it takes, i.e., when it issues, amends, or revokes a State registration. The Agency has 90 days to disapprove the registration. In such cases, the State is responsible for notifying the affected registrant.

Burden statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 49,500 hours annually for state government "applicants" for the FIFRA section 18 program and for applicants under the FIFRA section 24(c) an annual estimate of 23,400 hours, a combined total of 72,900 burden hours annually. The consolidated ICR, a copy of which is available in the docket, provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 950.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 72,900 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: \$4,599,290. This ICR does not involve any capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

V. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approvals?

The consolidation of these ICRs will not result in a change of the 72,900 hours in the total estimated combined respondent burden that is currently approved by OMB.

VI. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the consolidated ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity for the public to submit additional comments for OMB consideration.

If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: October 27, 2008.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0884; FRL-8388-6]

Issuance of an Experimental Use Permit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has granted an experimental use permit (EUP) to the following pesticide applicant. An EUP permits use of a pesticide for experimental or research purposes only in accordance with the limitations in the permit.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shanaz Bacchus, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8097; e-mail address: bacchus.shanaz@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 those persons who conduct or sponsor research on 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 action, 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 a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0884. 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 Office of Pesticide Programs (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.

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>.

II. EUP

EPA has issued the following EUP:

264-EUP-143. Issuance. Bayer CropScience LP, 2 T.W. Alexander Dr. Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. This EUP allows the use of the plant incorporated protectants *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) Cry 1Ab and Bt Cry2Ae (insecticides) on 1,919 acres of cotton. The active ingredients are described on the permit labels and summarized as follows:

- 0.02022 pound (9.18 gram) of Bt Cry2Ae active ingredient in cotton events GHB119 and cotton event GHB714.

- 0.05883 pound (26.709 gram) of Bt Cry1Ab x Bt Cry2Ae (Twinlink) active ingredient in hybrids of cotton events T303-3 and T304-40 Bt Cry 1Ab with cotton events GHB 119 and GHB714 Bt Cry2Ae.

This EUP is intended to evaluate the control of Cotton bollworm (*Helicoverpa zea*), tobacco budworm (*Heliothis virescens*), pink bollworm (*Pectinophora gossypiella*), fall armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*), and beet armyworm (*Spodoptera exigua*). The program is authorized only in the States of Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and the United States Territory of Puerto Rico. The EUP is effective from September 1, 2008 to December 31, 2010.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136c.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Experimental use permits.

Dated: October 24, 2008.

Janet L. Andersen,

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

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