of WDL versus the current pesticide product labeling.

As considered by EPA, WDL would make available via the Internet site- and state-specific use directions for pesticide products as downloadable electronic files. To access this labeling, a user would visit the Web site identified on the pesticide label, enter information identifying the product, and select the intended state and use site. The Web site would return a streamlined version of the pesticide labeling containing the language applicable to all uses of the product, such as hazard statement and first aid, and the relevant state/site specific directions for use (e.g., application to cranberries in Maine). Sufficient labeling for the correct use of the product would still be available with the pesticide either on the container label or in accompanying material.

B. Overview of PR Notice

This PR Notice provides guidance about how EPA intends to implement WDL under this system. First, the PR Notice defines terms used related to WDL in this notice. It includes suggested language that registrants can use on the labeling affixed to or accompanying the pesticide container to reference the WDL portion of labeling. It recommends content, function, and security for the Web site associated with a product’s WDL. Finally, the PR Notice suggests a process by which registrants can request that a product’s labeling include WDL and outlines what information EPA expects to receive.

III. Do PR notices contain binding requirements?

The PR Notice discussed in this notice is intended to provide guidance to EPA personnel and decisionmakers and to pesticide registrants. While the requirements in the statutes and Agency regulations are binding on EPA and the applicants, this PR Notice is not binding on either EPA or pesticide registrants, and EPA may depart from the guidance where circumstances warrant and without prior notice. Likewise, pesticide registrants may assert that the guidance is not appropriate generally or not applicable to a specific pesticide or situation.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests.
B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

The docket for this action, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA—HQ—OPP—2012–0019, is available at http://www.regulations.gov or at the Office of Pesticide Programs Regulatory Public Docket (OPP Docket) in the Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West Bldg., Rm. 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566–1744, and the telephone number for the OPP Docket is (703) 305–5805. Please review the visitor instructions and additional information about the docket available at http://www.epa.gov/dockets.

II. Background

EPA has granted emergency exemptions to the following State and Federal agencies. The emergency exemptions may take the following form: Crisis, public health, quarantine, or specific.

Under FIFRA section 18, EPA can authorize the use of a pesticide when emergency conditions exist. Authorizations (commonly called emergency exemptions) are granted to State and Federal agencies and are of four types:

1. A “specific exemption” authorizes use of a pesticide against specific pests on a limited acreage in a particular State. Most emergency exemptions are specific exemptions.
2. “Quarantine” and “public health” exemptions are emergency exemptions issued for quarantine or public health purposes. These are rarely requested.
3. A “crisis exemption” is initiated by a State or Federal agency (and is confirmed by EPA) when there is insufficient time to request and obtain EPA permission for use of a pesticide in an emergency.

EPA may deny an emergency exemption: If the State or Federal agency cannot demonstrate that an emergency exists, if the use poses unacceptable risks to the environment, or if EPA cannot reach a conclusion that the proposed pesticide use is likely to result in “a reasonable certainty of no harm” to human health, including exposure of residues of the pesticide to infants and children.

If the emergency use of the pesticide on a food or feed commodity would result in pesticide chemical residues, EPA establishes a time-limited tolerance meeting the “reasonable certainty of no harm standard” of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

In this document: EPA identifies the State or Federal agency granted the exemption, the type of exemption, the pesticide authorized and the pests, the crop or use for which authorized, number of acres (if applicable), and the duration of the exemption. EPA also gives the Federal Register citation for the time-limited tolerance, if any.

III. Emergency Exemptions

A. U.S. States and Territories

California
Department of Pesticide Regulation
Specific Exemption: EPA Authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Keri Grinstead.

Florida
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Maryland
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

Michigan
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

New Jersey
Department of Environmental Protection

Illinois
Department of Agriculture
Specific exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Louisiana
Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Crisis Exemption: EPA concurred with Louisiana on the crisis use of imidacloprid on sugarcane to control West Indian Cane Fly; August 7, 2012 to August 22, 2012. Contact: Tawanda Maingnan.

Maine
Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources
Crisis Exemption: EPA concurred with Maine on the crisis use of malathion on blueberries to control spotted winged drosophila; August 13, 2012 to August 28, 2012. Contact: Debra Rate.

New York
Department of Environmental Conservation
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Ohio
Department of Agriculture
Specific exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Ohio
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Tennessee
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

Texas
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Virginia
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Washington
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

Wisconsin
Department of Agriculture
Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of hop beta acids in beehives to control varroa mite; September 5, 2012 to December 31, 2012. Contact: Stacey Groce.

New Mexico
Department of Agriculture

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of spirotetramat on dry bulb onions to control thrips; July 9, 2012 to October 31, 2012. Contact: Keri Grinstead.

North Carolina
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

North Dakota
Department of Agriculture


Oregon
Department of Agriculture

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of fipronil on turnip and rutabaga to control cabbage maggot; July 20, 2012 to September 30, 2012. In accordance with 40 CFR 166.24, a notice of receipt published in the Federal Register on May 1, 2012 (77 FR 84) (FRL–9344–3), to allow for public comment since the request proposed a use which is IR–4-supported, has been requested in 5 or more previous years, and a petition for tolerance has not been submitted to the Agency. The public comment period ended on May 16, 2012. No substantial comments were received. The rationale for emergency approval of this use is that no suitable insecticides are available to control the cabbage maggot in turnip and rutabaga production and significant economic losses will occur if this pest is not controlled. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

Pennsylvania
Department of Agriculture

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

Tennessee
Department of Agriculture and Regulatory Services


Virginia
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

West Virginia
Department of Agriculture

Specific Exemption: EPA authorized the use of bifenthrin on apple, peach, and nectarine to control brown marmorated stink bug; July 20, 2012 to October 15, 2012. Contact: Andrea Conrath.

B. Federal Departments and Agencies

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)

Quarantine Exemption: EPA authorized the use of sodium hydroxide on clean, hard, non-porous areas potentially exposed to prions. September 12, 2012 to September 12, 2013; Contact: Keri Grinstead.

Quarantine Exemption: EPA authorized the use of sodium hypochlorite on clean, hard, non-porous areas potentially exposed to prions. September 12, 2012 to September 12, 2015; Contact: Keri Grinstead.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Specific exemption: EPA authorized the use of ortho-phthalaldehyde (OPA) immobilized to a porous resin to treat the International Space Station internal active thermal control system (IATCS) coolant to control micro-organisms; July 13, 2012 to July 12, 2013. This request was granted because no registered alternatives met the criteria required for this use as well as OPA. Since the request proposed the use of a new, unregistered chemical, a notice of receipt published in the Federal Register on August 17, 2012 (77 FR 49793) (FRL–9358–4). Contact: Debra Rate.

List of Subjects
Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: January 7, 2013.
Lois Rossi,
Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Notice of Receipt of Pesticide Products; Registration Applications

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received applications to register pesticide products containing an active ingredient not included in any currently registered pesticide products. Pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA is hereby providing notice of receipt and opportunity to comment on these applications.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 15, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number and the EPA File Symbol of interest as shown in the body of this document, by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

• Mail: OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

• Hand Delivery: To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.htm.

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at http://www.epa.gov/dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A contact person is listed at the end of each registration application summary and may be contacted by telephone, email, or mail. Mail correspondence to the Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.