

On October 17, 2012 (77 FR 63813), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to both the EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0642, which is available for either public viewing online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or in person viewing at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center 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 Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Enforcement and Compliance Docket is (202) 566-1752.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system, at <http://www.regulations.gov>, to either submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at <http://www.regulations.gov> as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, Confidentiality of Business Information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

*Title:* NESHAP for Chemical Preparations Industry (Renewal)

*ICR Numbers:* EPA ICR Number 2356.03, OMB Control Number 2060-0636

*ICR Status:* This ICR is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2013. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to either conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB.

*Abstract:* The affected entities are subject to the General Provisions of the NESHAP at 40 CFR part 63, subpart A, and any changes, or additions to the Provisions specified at 40 CFR part 63, subpart BBBBBBB. Owners or operators of the affected facilities must submit an initial notification report, performance tests, and periodic reports and results. Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and

duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. At a minimum, reports are required semiannually.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 40 hours per response. "Burden" means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

*Respondents/Affected Entities:* Owners or operators of area source chemical preparation facilities.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 26.

*Frequency of Response:* Semiannually.

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 2,093.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$203,052, which includes \$202,662 in labor costs, no capital/startup costs, and \$390 in operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

*Changes in the Estimates:* There is an adjustment decrease in the total estimated burden for both the respondents and the Agency as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This decrease is not due to any program changes. The change in the burden and cost estimates occurred because the standards have been in effect for more than three years and the requirements are different during initial compliance (new facilities) as compared to on-going compliance (existing facilities). The previous ICR reflected those burdens and costs associated with the initial activities for subject facilities. This includes understanding rule requirements, notification of applicability, conducting engineering calculations or obtaining data on performance guarantees to demonstrate initial compliance, and establishing recordkeeping systems. This ICR, by in

large, reflects the on-going burden and costs for existing facilities. Activities for existing source include continuous monitoring of pollutants and the submission of semiannual reports. The overall result is a decrease in burden hours and costs. These changes also result in a decrease in O&M costs, which are photocopying and postage costs associated with submittal of notifications and semiannual reports.

This ICR corrects a mathematical mistake in the Agency labor rates. The previous ICR adjusted the labor rates by 160 percent, thereby overestimating the Agency's costs. This ICR corrects the loading rate to 60 percent to account for the benefit packages available to government employees. Additionally, this ICR corrects the frequency of occurrence for the review of semiannual reports from once to twice per year.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0152; FRL-9381-3]

### Pesticide Chemicals; Registration Review; Draft Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessments; Notice of Availability

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of EPA's draft human health and ecological risk assessments for the registration review of ancymidol, fosthiazate, lactofen, polybutene resins, quizalofop, and soap salts and opens a public comment period on these documents. Registration review is EPA's periodic review of pesticide registrations to ensure that each pesticide continues to satisfy the statutory standard for registration, that is, the pesticide can perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment. As part of the registration review process, the Agency has completed draft risk assessments for each of the subject chemicals and is making them available for public comment. After reviewing comments received during the public comment period, EPA will issue a revised risk assessment, if appropriate, explain any changes to the draft risk assessment, and respond to comments and may request public input on risk mitigation. Through

this program, EPA is ensuring that each pesticide's registration is based on current scientific and other knowledge, including its effects on human health and the environment.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 20, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by the docket identification (ID) number for the specific pesticide of interest provided in Table 1. in Unit III.A., 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:** For information about a particular pesticide included in this document, contact the Chemical Review Manager identified in Table 1. in Unit III.A. for the pesticide of interest.

*For general questions on the registration review program, contact:* Jane Robbins, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-0048; fax number: (703) 305-8005; email address: [robbins.jane@epa.gov](mailto:robbins.jane@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, farm worker, 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 Chemical Review Manager identified in Table 1. in Unit III.A. for the pesticide of interest.

###### 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](http://regulations.gov) or email. 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.

3. *Environmental justice.* EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the

population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts and/or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticides discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

##### II. Authority

EPA is conducting its registration review of the pesticides identified in this document pursuant to section 3(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Procedural Regulations for Registration Review at 40 CFR part 155, subpart C. Section 3(g) of FIFRA provides, among other things, that the registrations of pesticides are to be reviewed every 15 years. Under FIFRA, a pesticide product may be registered or remain registered only if it meets the statutory standard for registration given in FIFRA section 3(c)(5). When used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, the pesticide product must perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on the environment; that is, without any unreasonable risk to man or the environment, or a human dietary risk from residues that result from the use of a pesticide in or on food.

##### III. Registration Reviews

###### A. What action is the Agency taking?

As directed by FIFRA section 3(g), EPA is reviewing the pesticide registrations for ancymidol, fosthiazate, lactofen, polybutene resins, quizalofop, and soap salts to ensure that they continue to satisfy the FIFRA standard for registration—that is, that these pesticides can still be used without unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment.

At this stage in the registration review process, consistent with the proposed notice, published in the **Federal Register** issue of August 17, 2012 (77 FR 49792) (FRL-9356-5), jointly developed with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“the Services”) to enhance opportunities for stakeholder input during pesticide registration reviews and endangered species consultations, draft environmental risk assessments include a screening-level evaluation of the potential risks to federally listed endangered and threatened species (hereafter referred to as “listed species”). EPA intends to complete a refined assessment of potential risks to individual listed

species, as needed. The refined listed species assessments will be based on the recommendations of the National Research Council (NRC), which has been tasked with providing advice on ecological risk assessment tools and scientific approaches in developing listed species risk assessments that are compliant with both FIFRA and the Endangered Species Act (ESA). EPA anticipates that the NRC report, expected in Spring 2013, will provide recommendations to ensure scientific soundness and maximize the utility of risk assessment refinements for listed species. Additional information can be found at the following Web site: <http://www8.nationalacademies.org/cp/projectview.aspx?key=49396>. Useful refinements to the listed species assessments are expected to include, but not be limited to, the following:

- More detailed, species-specific ecological and biological data.
- More detailed and accurate information on chemical use patterns.
- Sub-county level spatial proximity data depicting the co-occurrence of potential effects areas and listed species and any designated critical habitat.

In the event that a draft risk assessment shows risks of concern to human health or the environment for a specific chemical, EPA reserves the right to initiate mitigation at this stage of registration review. This effort to mitigate a chemical's risks early in the registration review process is consistent with the Agency's approach for registration review. Where risks are identified early in the registration review process and opportunities for early mitigation exist, the Agency may pursue those opportunities as they arise, rather than waiting for completion of a chemical's registration review in order to mitigate risks. The public comment period for the draft risk assessments allows members of the public to provide comments and suggestions for revising the draft risk assessments and for reducing risks.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.53(c), EPA is providing an opportunity, through this notice of availability, for interested parties to provide comments and input concerning the Agency's draft human health and ecological risk assessments for ancymidol, fosthiazate, lactofen,

polybutene resins, quizalofop, and soap salts. Such comments and input could address, among other things, the Agency's risk assessment methodologies and assumptions, as applied in these draft risk assessments.

The Agency will consider all comments received during the public comment period and make changes, as appropriate, to the draft human health and ecological risk assessments. EPA will then issue revised risk assessments, if appropriate, and explain any changes to the draft risk assessments, and respond to comments. In the **Federal Register** notice announcing the availability of the revised risk assessments, if any of the revised risk assessments indicate risks of concern, the Agency may provide a comment period for the public to submit suggestions for mitigating the risks identified in those revised risk assessments. At present, EPA is releasing registration review draft risk assessments for the pesticide cases identified in the following table and further described in this unit.

TABLE 1—REGISTRATION REVIEW DRAFT RISK ASSESSMENTS

Registration review case name and No.	Pesticide docket identification No.	Chemical review manager, telephone No., and email address
Ancymidol, Case No. 3017 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0482 .....	Christina Scheltema, (703) 308-2201, <a href="mailto:scheltema.christina@epa.gov">scheltema.christina@epa.gov</a> .
Fosthiazate, Case No. 7604 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0267 .....	Khue Nguyen, (703) 347-0248, <a href="mailto:nguyen.khue@epa.gov">nguyen.khue@epa.gov</a> .
Lactofen, Case No. 7210 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0287 .....	Kelly Ballard, (703) 305-8126, <a href="mailto:ballard.kelly@epa.gov">ballard.kelly@epa.gov</a> .
Polybutene resins, Case No. 4076 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0649 .....	Joel Wolf, (703) 347-0228, <a href="mailto:wolf.joel@epa.gov">wolf.joel@epa.gov</a> .
Quizalofop, Case No. 7215 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-1089 .....	Khue Nguyen, (703) 347-0248, <a href="mailto:nguyen.khue@epa.gov">nguyen.khue@epa.gov</a> .
Soap salts, Case No. 4083 .....	EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0519 .....	Monica Wait, (703) 347-8019, <a href="mailto:wait.monica@epa.gov">wait.monica@epa.gov</a> .

• *Ancymidol*. The registration review docket for ancymidol (EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0482) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of June 29, 2011 (76 FR 38166) (FRL-8877-4). Ancymidol is a plant growth regulator that acts by inhibiting gibberillin biosynthesis, resulting in plants with more compact growth. Ancymidol is registered for use only on container grown greenhouse and nursery ornamentals. It is used only on plants grown for commercial production and has no food, feed, or residential uses. The Final Work Plan for ancymidol described numerous data requirements for registration review, and a registration review timeline that included the issuance of a data call-in. However, EPA has revisited the timeline and data requirements for registration review and determined that a data call-in is not necessary for ancymidol. The Agency has conducted qualitative environmental and human health risk

assessments for ancymidol based on the available information and on limited use of this pesticide active ingredient.

• *Fosthiazate*. The registration review docket for fosthiazate (EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0267) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of June 24, 2009 (74 FR 30077) (FRL-8422-4). Fosthiazate is an organophosphate nematicide and insecticide that is currently registered for use on tomatoes. The Agency has conducted a human health risk assessment for both dietary (food and drinking water) and occupational exposure pathways. The Agency has also conducted a quantitative ecological risk assessment, which includes a screening-level listed species assessment. EPA acknowledges that further refinements to the listed species assessment will be completed in future revisions and requests public comment on specific areas that will reduce the uncertainties associated with the

characterization of risk to listed species identified in the current assessment.

• *Lactofen*. The registration review docket for lactofen (EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0287) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of February 2, 2007 (72 FR 5050) (FRL-8113-1). Lactofen is a light dependent peroxidizing herbicide (LDPH), and is registered for use on conifer seedlings, cotton, kenaf, peanuts, and soybean, with local registrations on fruiting vegetables, okra, snap beans, and strawberries. For lactofen, the Agency has conducted an occupational handler exposure risk assessment for the application of lactofen on conifer seedlings, snap beans, soybeans, and strawberries. The Agency has also conducted an ecological risk assessment, which includes a screening-level listed species assessment. EPA acknowledges that further refinements to the listed species assessment will be completed in future revisions and requests public comment

on specific areas that will reduce the uncertainties associated with the characterization of risk to listed species identified in the current assessment.

- **Polybutene resins.** The registration review docket for polybutene resins (EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0649) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of June 23, 2010 (75 FR 35810) (FRL-8832-3). Polybutene is a sticky polymer registered for use as a bird and small mammal repellent. It is used to prevent house sparrows, pigeons, and starlings from roosting inside and outside of buildings, as well as to prevent beavers from attacking trees and shrubs. There are no food/feed uses and, it is exempt from a tolerance requirement when used as a sticker agent in packaging of insect control products used on food crops. Polybutene is approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as an indirect food additive and is used as an ingredient in cosmetic products that are applied directly to the skin such as sun block or moisturizer, and that may be incidentally ingested, such as lipstick. EPA has conducted a qualitative assessment for both human health and environmental fate and ecological risks.

- **Quizalofop.** The registration review docket for quizalofop ethyl and quizalofop-*p*-ethyl (EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-1089) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of December 19, 2007 (72 FR 71893) (FRL-8342-9). Quizalofop ethyl is a 50/50 racemic mixture of *R*- and *S*-enantiomers; quizalofop-*p*-ethyl is the purified *R*-enantiomer which is pesticidally active. Quizalofop-*p*-ethyl is registered for use to control weeds in food crops (including barley, beans, lentil, peas, sorghum, soybean, and sugar beets), non-food crops grown for seed (including alfalfa, carrots, garlic, onion, radish, and spinach), and non-cropland (including rights-of-way and fencerows). Quizalofop-*p*-ethyl is not registered for residential use. The Agency has conducted a human health assessment for both dietary (food and drinking water) and occupational exposure pathways. The Agency has conducted a quantitative ecological risk assessment, including a listed species assessment, for quizalofop. EPA acknowledges that further refinements to the listed species assessment may be completed in future revisions and requests public comment on specific areas that will reduce the uncertainties associated with the characterization of risk to listed species identified in the current assessment.

- **Soap salts.** The registration review docket for soap salts (EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0519) opened in the **Federal Register** issue of September 15, 2008 (73 FR 53244) (FRL-8381-3). The case

consists of three active ingredients, the ammonium, potassium, and sodium salts of fatty acids, which are registered for use as acaricides, algacides, herbicides, and insecticides on food and non-food crops in various settings, chiefly residential and agricultural. Ammonium and sodium soap salts are also used as animal repellents. Because the Agency has not identified any toxicological endpoints for human health risk assessment and because current product labels are adequate to protect for potential eye and skin irritation, a qualitative human health risk assessment was conducted for soap salts. The Agency has conducted a quantitative ecological risk assessment, which includes a screening-level listed species assessment. EPA acknowledges that further refinements to the listed species assessment will be completed in future revisions and requests public comment on specific areas that will reduce the uncertainties associated with the characterization of risk to listed species identified in the current assessment.

1. **Other related information.** Additional information on ancymidol, fosthiazate, lactofen, polybutene resins, quizalofop, and soap salts is available on the chemical pages for these pesticides in Chemical Search, <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/chemicalsearch>, and in each chemical's individual docket listed in Table 1. in Unit III.A. Information on the Agency's registration review program and its implementing regulation is available at [http://www.epa.gov/oppsrrd1/registration\\_review](http://www.epa.gov/oppsrrd1/registration_review).

2. **Information submission requirements.** Anyone may submit data or information in response to this document. To be considered during a pesticide's registration review, the submitted data or information must meet the following requirements:

- To ensure that EPA will consider data or information submitted, interested persons must submit the data or information during the comment period. The Agency may, at its discretion, consider data or information submitted at a later date.

- The data or information submitted must be presented in a legible and useable form. For example, an English translation must accompany any material that is not in English and a written transcript must accompany any information submitted as an audiographic or videographic record. Written material may be submitted in paper or electronic form.

- Submitters must clearly identify the source of any submitted data or information.

- Submitters may request the Agency to reconsider data or information that the Agency rejected in a previous review. However, submitters must explain why they believe the Agency should reconsider the data or information in the pesticide's registration review.

As provided in 40 CFR 155.58, the registration review docket for each pesticide

case will remain publicly accessible through the duration of the registration review process; that is, until all actions required in the final decision on the registration review case have been completed.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Ancymidol, Fosthiazate, Lactofen, Pesticides and pests, Polybutene resins, Quizalofop, Soap salts.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0938; FRL-9374-7]

### Pesticide Reregistration Performance Measures and Goals; Annual Progress Report; Notice of Availability

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of EPA's progress report in meeting its performance measures and goals for pesticide reregistration during fiscal year 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carol P. Stangel, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8007; email address: [stangel.carol@epa.gov](mailto:stangel.carol@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Why is EPA announcing the availability of this report?

The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) requires EPA to publish information about EPA's annual achievements in meeting its performance measures and goals for pesticide reregistration. The report for fiscal year 2012 discusses the integration of tolerance reassessment with the reregistration process, and describes the status of various regulatory activities associated with reregistration and tolerance reassessment. The 2012 report also gives total numbers of products reregistered and products registered under the "fast-track" provisions of FIFRA.

##### II. How can I get a copy of the 2012 report?

1. **Docket.** The 2012 report is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>, under