

Monier-Williams Procedure for Sulfites (21 CFR part 101 Appendix A), is available for enforcement of tolerances for sulfites in food. Contact: RD.

6. *PP 6F8507*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0573). Isagro S.p.A. d/b/a Isagro USA, Inc., 430 Davis Dr., Suite 240, Morrisville, NC 27560, requests to establish tolerances in 40 CFR 180.557 for residues of the fungicide tetraconazole in or on barley at 0.3 ppm; crop group 16, forage, fodder, and straw of cereal grains group (except corn) at 8.0 ppm; dried shelled pea and bean (except soybean) subgroup 6C, hay at 8.0 ppm; dried shelled pea and bean (except soybean) subgroup 6C, seed at 0.15 ppm; dried shelled pea and bean (except soybean) subgroup 6C, vine at 2.0 ppm; rapeseed crop subgroup 20A at 0.9 ppm; and wheat at 0.1 ppm. The adequate enforcement methodology (capillary gas chromatography with electron capture detector (GC/ECD)), as well as a QuEChERS multi-residue method (LC/MS-MS detection), is used to measure and evaluate the chemical tetraconazole. Contact: RD.

Amended Tolerance

1. *PP 4F8258*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0357). DuPont Crop Protection, P.O. Box 30, Newark, DE 19714-0030, requests to amend the tolerance in 40 CFR 180.672 for residues of the insecticide cyantraniliprole in or on vegetable, cucurbit (group 9) at 0.70 ppm. Adequate analytical methodology, high-pressure liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) detection, is available for tolerance enforcement purposes. Contact: RD.

2. *PP 6F8476*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0360). Albaugh, LLC, P.O. Box 2127, Valdosta, GA 31604, requests to amend the tolerances in 40 CFR 180.441(a)(1) for the residues of the herbicide quizalofop ethyl, including its metabolites and degradates, in or on wheat, bran at 0.40 ppm; wheat, forage at 2.0 ppm; wheat, germ at 0.40 ppm; wheat, hay at 2.0 ppm; wheat, milled byproducts at 0.40 ppm; and wheat, straw at 0.80 ppm. The modified Morse Method-147 is used to measure and evaluate the chemical quizalofop-P-ethyl and quizalofop-P acid, convertible to 6-chloro-2-methoxyquinoxaline (MeCHQ). Contact: RD.

New Tolerance Exemptions

1. *PP IN-10970*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0606). AgroFresh Inc., 400 Arcola Rd., P.O. Box 7000, Collegeville, PA 19426, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of polyglycerol polyricinoleic acid (CAS Reg. No. 29894-35-7) with a minimum number

average molecular weight (in amu) of 2,000 when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations under 40 CFR 180.960. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is not required for an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance. Contact: RD.

2. *PP IN-10984*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0617). Spring Trading Company, on behalf of Ethox Chemicals, LLC, 1801 Perimeter Rd., Greenville, SC 29605, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of octadecanoic acid, 12-hydroxy-, homopolymer, ester with α , α' , α'' -1,2,3-propanetriyltris[ω -hydroxypoly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl)] (CAS Reg. No. 1939051-18-9) with a minimum number average molecular weight (in amu) of 5,000 when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations under 40 CFR 180.960. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is not required for an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance. Contact: RD.

3. *PP 5F8410*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0284). AFS009 Plant Protection, Inc., 104 T.W. Alexander Dr., Building 18, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of the fungicide *Pseudomonas chlororaphis* strain AFS009 in or on all food commodities. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is expected that, when used as proposed, *Pseudomonas chlororaphis* strain AFS009, would not result in residues that are of toxicological concern. Note: In the **Federal Register** of June 22, 2016 (81 FR 40594) (FRL-9947-32), EPA announced the filing of this petition to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of *Pseudomonas chlororaphis* subsp. *aurantiaca* strain AFS009 in or on all food commodities. Since that time, the petitioner provided additional data on the identity of the active ingredient to EPA. After reviewing these data, EPA now considers the correct identity of the active ingredient to be *Pseudomonas chlororaphis* strain AFS009 and not *Pseudomonas chlororaphis* subsp. *aurantiaca* strain AFS009. In order to give the public an opportunity to comment on this new information, EPA is republishing its receipt of this tolerance exemption petition filing with an updated and accurate description. Contact: BPPD.

4. *PP 6F8485*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0608). BASF Corporation, 26 Davis Dr., Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance in 40 CFR

part 180 for residues of the insecticide *Beauveria bassiana* strain PPRI 5339 in or on all food commodities. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is expected that, when used as proposed, *Beauveria bassiana* strain PPRI 5339, would not result in residues that are of toxicological concern. Contact: BPPD.

Amended Tolerance Exemption

1. *PP 6F8481*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0578). Verdesian Life Sciences U.S., LLC, 1001 Winstead Dr., Suite 480, Cary, NC 27513, requests to amend an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance in 40 CFR 180.1210 for residues of the systemic fungicide/systemic acquired resistance (SAR) inducer calcium salts of phosphorous acid in or on all food commodities when used as an agricultural fungicide and in or on potatoes when applied as a post-harvest treatment at 35,600 ppm or less phosphorous acid. The two analytical methods available to EPA for the detection and measurement of the pesticide residues are the modified AOAC Method 958.01 and the modified AOAC Method 965.09. Contact: BPPD.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a.

Dated: December 9, 2016.

Robert McNally,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 224

[Docket No. 141216999-6999-02]

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Notice of 12-Month Finding on a Petition To List the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's Whale as Endangered Under the Endangered Species Act (ESA); Correction

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction.

SUMMARY: NMFS published in the **Federal Register** on December 8, 2016, a document proposing to list the Gulf of Mexico Bryde's whale as an endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA). This document

corrects an error regarding the January 30, 2017, scheduled close date of the public comment period and identifies that comments must be received by February 6, 2017. This document also corrects the reference number used to identify public comments submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking portal.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on December 8, 2016 (81 FR 88639), must be received by February 6, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, information, or data on this document, identified by the code NOAA–NMFS–2014–0157 by any of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submissions:** Submit all electronic comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2014-0157, click the “Comment Now!” icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments;

- **Mail:** NMFS, Southeast Regional Office, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701;

- **Hand delivery:** You may hand deliver written information to our office during normal business hours at the street address given above.

Instructions: Comments must be submitted by one of the above methods to ensure that the comments are received, documented, and considered by NMFS. Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on www.regulations.gov without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.) submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive or protected information. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Engleby or Calusa Horn, NMFS, Southeast Regional Office (727) 824–5312 or Marta Nammack, NMFS, Office of Protected Resources (301) 427–8469.

Correction

The proposed rule that published in the **Federal Register** on December 8, 2016 (81 FR 88639) contained the wrong closure date for the public comment period. The original language incorrectly stated that the public

comment period would close on January 30, 2017. This date does not allow for a 60-day public comment period.

Therefore, we are correcting the date and inserting the date of February 6, 2017, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. We are also correcting the Federal Docket Management System reference number associated with this proposed rule so that public comments submitted electronically through www.regulations.gov will be associated correctly with this proposed rule.

In the proposed rule (81 FR 88639) published on December 8, 2016, the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections are corrected as set above in this document.

Dated: December 15, 2016.

Samuel D. Rauch, III,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

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Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Amendment 18 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We are proposing regulations to implement Amendment 18 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan. Amendment 18 was developed by the New England Fishery Management Council to promote fleet diversity in the groundfish fishery and enhance sector management. This action proposes to limit the number of permits and annual groundfish allocation that an entity could hold. This action also removes several effort restrictions to increase operational flexibility for limited access handgear vessels.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 3, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this document, identified by NOAA–NMFS–2015–0143, by any of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submission:** Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2015-0143, click the “Comment Now!” icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments.

- **Mail:** Submit written comments to John K. Bullard, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope: “Comments on Northeast Multispecies Amendment 18.”

Instructions: Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered by NMFS. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on www.regulations.gov without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the commenter may be publicly accessible. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

Written comments regarding the burden-hour estimates or other aspects of the collection-of-information requirements contained in this proposed rule may be submitted to the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office and by email to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395–7285.

Copies of Amendment 18, including its environmental impact statement, preliminary Regulatory Impact Review, and Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (EIS/RIR/IRFA), are available from the New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Newburyport, MA 01950. The EIS/RIR/IRFA is also accessible via the Internet at: www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Whitmore, Fishery Policy Analyst, 978–281–9182.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Since the approval of Amendment 16 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and the expanded use of catch shares in the groundfish fishery, many industry members and stakeholders have become increasingly concerned about excessive