III. Proposed Action

In this action, EPA proposes to conclude that Colorado’s infrastructure SIP satisfies the interstate transport provision of the CAA, section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I), for the 2015 ozone NAAQS, and that the State has provided the necessary assurances of the State’s authority to regulate all agricultural sources as may be required by the CAA under section 110(a)(2)(E)(i).

IV. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the CAA, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the Act and applicable Federal regulations. 42 U.S.C. 7410(k); 40 CFR 52.02(a).

Thus, in reviewing SIP submissions, EPA’s role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the CAA. Accordingly, this action merely proposes to approve state law as meeting Federal requirements and does not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. For that reason, this action:

• Is not a “significant regulatory action” subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Orders 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993) and 13563 (76 FR 3821, January 21, 2011);
• Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.);
• Is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);
• Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4);
• Does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);
• Is not an economically significant regulatory action based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997);
• Is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);
• Is not subject to requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the CAA; and
• Does not provide EPA with the discretionary authority to address, as appropriate, disproportionate human health or environmental effects, using practicable and legally permissible methods, under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

In addition, the SIP is not approved to apply on any Indian reservation land or in any other area where EPA or an Indian tribe has demonstrated that a tribe has jurisdiction. In those areas of Indian country, the proposed rule does not have tribal implications and will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.

Dated: April 26, 2022.

K.C. Becker,
Regional Administrator, Region 8.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 152

[70 FR 67249, November 9, 2005, 40 CFR 152.25(f)(1)]

Pesticides; Proposal To Add Chitosan to the List of Active Ingredients Permitted in Exempted Minimum Risk Pesticide Products; Notice of Data Availability on Chitosan and Chitosan Salts

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notification of data availability.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of and soliciting comment on data related to the aquatic toxicity of chitosan salts. The EPA seeks public comment on these data.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 6, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPP–2006–0766, through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at https://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. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about docket generally, is available at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

Due to the public health concerns related to COVID–19, the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) and Reading Room is open to visitors by appointment only. The staff continues to provide remote customer service via email, phone, and webform. For the latest status information on EPA/DC services and docket access, visit https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles Smith, Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001; main telephone number: (703) 305–7090; email address: BPPPDFRNNotices@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

The EPA is making two aquatic toxicity reports, submitted by Tidal Vision Products, LLC, available for public comment. The EPA seeks input from stakeholders on how these reports may be used to inform the Agency’s assessment of the aquatic toxicity of chitosan and its salts.

On November 2, 2020, the EPA published “Pesticides; Proposal to Add Chitosan to the List of Active Ingredients Permitted in Exempted Minimum Risk Pesticide Product,” 85 FR 69307 (FRL–10009–24). The proposed rule addressed the subject matter of a 2018 petition by Tidal Vision Products LLC that requested that the substance commonly known as chitosan (also known by its chemical name poly-D-glucosamine) (CAS Reg. No. 9012–76–4) be added to the list of active ingredients allowed in exempted minimum risk pesticide products under 40 CFR 152.25(f)(1).

Public comments on the proposed rule discussed these salts. The EPA notes that chitosan may form as a salt (e.g., acetate, lactate, hydrochloride, and salicylate) when it is solubilized in acids for end use product formulation and subsequently applied in the environment. The new information submitted by Tidal Vision pertains to these salts.

As authorized by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) section 23(b), the EPA has determined that registration certain pesticide products if they are composed of specified...
ingredients (recognized active and inert substances which are listed in the regulations) and labeled according to the EPA’s regulations in 40 CFR 152.25(f). The EPA created the exemption for minimum risk pesticides to eliminate the need for the Agency to expend significant resources to regulate products that were deemed to be of minimum risk to human health and the environment. Prior to submission of these aquatic toxicity reports, the EPA received a petition from Tidal Vision Products, LLC, requesting that the substance commonly known as chitosan (also known by its chemical name poly-D-glucosamine) (CAS Reg. No. 9012–76–4) be added to the list of active ingredients allowed in exempted minimum risk pesticide products under 40 CFR 152.25(f)(1). This matter was the subject of a proposed regulation (85 FR 69307) (FRL–10009–24).

The EPA is considering the information submitted by Tidal Vision in its decision regarding whether to finalize the proposal to add chitosan to the list of permitted active ingredients, and if so, whether and how to address chitosan salts in the exemption.

II. References

The following is a listing of the documents that are specifically referenced in this document. For assistance in locating these other documents, please consult the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.


List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 152

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting, and recordkeeping requirements.


Michal Freedhoff,
Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 704


RIN 2070–AK99

Asbestos; Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing reporting and recordkeeping requirements for asbestos under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). EPA proposes to require certain persons that manufactured (including imported) or processed asbestos and asbestos-containing articles (including as an impurity) in the four years prior to the date of publication of the final rule to electronically report certain exposure-related information. This action would result in a one-time reporting obligation. EPA emphasizes that this proposed requirement would include asbestos that is a component of a mixture. The information sought includes quantities of asbestos (including asbestos that is a component of a mixture) and asbestos-containing articles that were manufactured (including imported) or processed, types of use, and employee data. Reported information would be used by EPA and other Federal agencies in considering potential future actions, including risk evaluation and risk management activities. EPA is requesting public comment on all aspects of this proposed rule and has also identified items of particular interest for public input.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 5, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2021–0357, through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at https://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. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For technical information contact: Daniel R. Ruedy, Data Gathering and Analysis Division (Mailcode: 7406M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (202) 564–7974; email address: ruedy.daniel@epa.gov.

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 545–1404; email address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Executive Summary

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture (defined by statute to include import) or process asbestos. Any use of the term “manufacture” in this document will encompass “import,” and the term “manufacturer” will encompass “importer.” Any use of the term “asbestos” will apply to asbestos in bulk form, in an article, or as an impurity, or as a component of a mixture. For a more thorough discussion of the subject asbestos forms, please see Unit III.A. of this document. You may also be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture (including import) or process other chemical substances or mixtures not on the TSCA inventory if they include asbestos.

The following list of North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes are provided to assist in determining whether this action might apply to you. This list is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide to help readers determine whether this document applies to them. Potentially affected entities may include entities identified in:

• NAICS code 211—Oil and Gas Extraction;
• NAICS code 212—Mining (except Oil and Gas);  
• NAICS code 325—Chemical Manufacturing;
• NAICS code 327—Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing;
• NAICS code 332—Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing;
• NAICS code 336—Transportation Equipment Manufacturing;
• NAICS code 339—Miscellaneous Manufacturing;