

CQ 825185-01 AARP Foundation
 CQ 825189-01 AARP Foundation
 CQ 825236-01 Association National
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 CQ 825400-01 AARP Foundation
 CQ 825401-01 AARP Foundation
 QS 823047-01 National Assoc. for
 Hispanic Elderly
 QS 823447-01 National Cau. & Ctr on
 Black Aged, Inc.

Among the procedures established by EPA confidentiality regulations for granting access is notification to the submitters of confidential data that SEE grantee organizations and their enrollees will have access. 40 CFR 2.301(h) (2) (iii). This notice is intended to fulfill that requirement.

The grantee organizations are required by the cooperative agreements to protect confidential information. SEE enrollees required to sign confidentiality agreements and to adhere to the same security procedures as Federal employees.

Dated: December 10, 1996.

Henry L. Longest II,
*Acting Assistant Administrator for Research
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5669-9]

Peer Review of an Agency Arsenic Research Plan

AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Board of Scientific Counselors, Notification of Public Advisory Committee open meeting.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Ad Hoc Committee on Arsenic Research of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) will meet on January 22-23, 1997, at the Sheraton Reston Hotel, 11810 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston VA 22091. The hotel phone number is (703) 620-9000. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m., and end no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 22nd and begin at 8:30 a.m. on January 23rd and end no later than 4:00 p.m. (times noted are Eastern Time). The meeting is open to the public. Due to limited space, seating at the meeting will be on a first-come first-serve basis. Important Notice: Documents that are the subject of BOSC reviews are

available from the originating EPA office. Information concerning the availability of the Arsenic Research Plan document is included below.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: The Ad Hoc Committee will review and provide advice to EPA on its document entitled "Research Plan for Arsenic in Drinking Water." This research plan is mandated by the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, which call for the development of this plan by February 2, 1997. The research plan is intended to address the need to enhance the scientific basis for understanding health risks and exposures associated with ingested arsenic and to address uncertainties and improve current risk assessment and regulatory decisions in the United States. It stresses the implications of recent research findings and key sources of uncertainty and variability that affect arsenic assessment.

AVAILABILITY OF REVIEW MATERIALS:

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the document by contacting Ms. Cheryl Butler (Phone: (202) 260-7891; Fax: (202) 260-6932). Technical questions on this document should be addressed to Dr. Bruce Peirano (Phone: (513) 569-7540; Fax: (513) 569-7016). The documents will be available upon request on or about January 2, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Members of the public desiring additional information about the meeting should contact Dr. Edward S. Bender, Designated Federal Official, Ad Hoc Committee on Arsenic Research, Office of Science Policy (8103), U.S. EPA, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460; Telephone/voice mail at (202) 260-2562; Fax at (202) 260-0744; or via the Internet at BENDER.ED@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

Those individuals requiring a copy of the draft Agenda should contact Ms. Pat Jones at (202) 260-0338, by Fax at (202) 260-9761, or via the Internet at JONES.PATP@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation to the Committee must contact Dr. Bender in writing (by letter or by fax—see previously stated information) no later than 12 noon Eastern Time, Wednesday, January 15, 1997, in order to be included on the Agenda. Public comments will be limited to five minutes per organization. The requester should identify the name of the individual who will make the presentation, the organization (if any) they will represent, any requirements for audio visual equipment (e.g.,

overhead projector, 35mm projector, chalkboard, etc), and provide at least 25 copies of the presentation or an outline of the issues to be addressed. Written comments (at least 25 copies) received in the Committee Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date, will be mailed to the Committee prior to this meeting; otherwise they will be provided to the Committee at the meeting. Written comments may be provided to this Committee up until the time of the meeting.

Dated: December 18, 1996.

Henry L. Longest, II

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Research
 and Development.*

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Oregon Plan for Certification of Pesticide Applicators

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Approval of Amendment to Oregon Certification Plan.

SUMMARY: On December 6, 1995, EPA published a Notice of Intent to amend the Oregon plan for the certification of applicators of restricted use pesticides. This amendment permits the certification of applicators of 1080 Livestock Protection Collars (LPC). Notice is hereby given of EPA approval of this amendment to the Oregon Certification Plan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Allan Welch, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Eighth Floor, Seattle, WA 98101. Telephone: (206) 553-1980, e-mail: welch.allan@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The final decision permitting registration of 1080 LPC was signed by Lee M. Thomas, Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response, on October 31, 1983 (FIFRA Docket 502). This final decision requires applicators of 1080 LPC to receive specific training and to comply with recordkeeping and reporting requirements beyond that of applicators of other restricted use pesticides. For these reasons EPA has required a distinct certification process for applicators of 1080 LPC collars. To meet

this requirement Oregon amended their existing certification plan. This amendment establishes a 1080 LPC subcategory under their existing regulatory pest control category.

Oregon will only be certifying employees of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal Damage Control (ADC), as 1080 LPC applicators. Certification granted ADC employees will permit them to utilize 1080 LPC in performance of their official duties. ADC estimates that approximately 34 employees of ADC will seek certification under the 1080 LPC subcategory. The only registrant of 1080 LPC in Oregon is the ADC. Therefore, the ADC will be the source of 1080 LPC collars.

The Oregon 1080 Livestock Protection Collar Plan is more restrictive than the federal requirements in the following areas: use is limited to ADC agents, and monitoring and tracking of collars must be done twice per week rather than once per week.

The amendment to the Oregon certification plan contains a draft Memorandum of Agreement between the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) and the ADC addressing their respective roles and responsibilities. The ODA will oversee the activities of the ADC in its roles both as registrant and as employer/supervisor of 1080 LPC applicators. In addition to its responsibilities as registrant, the ADC will provide training and supervision to its 1080 LPC applicators. Certification and recertification will be based upon a written examination administered by the ODA. Recertification will be required every 5 years.

II. Discussion of Comments

Approximately 190 commenters responded with a few commenters submitting multiple comments. Of the comments received approximately 50 favored approval of the amendment establishing a 1080 Livestock Protection Collar Certification Plan. The remaining approximately 140 commenters opposed approval of the amendment. The comments on both sides of the approval question focused on the need for the 1080 LPC, its effectiveness, the effectiveness and availability of alternative means of control, and its safety to man, animals and the environment.

The notice of intent to approve the amendment to Oregon Certification Plan asked for comments on the proposed amendments to the Oregon Certification Plan. None of the comments in opposition specifically addressed the provisions of the Oregon plan. The opposing comments addressed

registration of the 1080 LPC with the most common comment being that the 1080 LPC should not be registered because of its toxicity. The comments directed at the registration of the 1080 LPC are outside the scope of the Notice of Intent to Approve the Oregon 1080 LPC Plan; these comments could not be addressed. Information on the registration of 1080 however, is addressed in the Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) that was published in 1995 on sodium fluoroacetate (Compound 1080). The document number is (EPA 738-R95-025). The sodium fluoroacetate RED contains the Agency's evaluation of the data base of this chemical, its conclusions of the potential human health and environmental risks of the current product's use, and its decisions and conditions under which this use and products will be eligible for reregistration. The RED has been included in the docket accompanied by the October 31, 1983 final decision, concerning registration applications to use sodium fluoroacetate to control predators. Both documents along with comments received on the Notice of Intent to Approve the Oregon 1080 LPC Plan can be reviewed at any time during normal business hours at the addresses noted at the end of this notice. The RED can also be obtained through the National Technical Information Service (NTIS). Orders may be placed to NTIS by telephone at the following number: (703) 487-4650, or by mail to the following address: National Technical Information Service, ATTN: Order Desk, 52854 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

Most of those commenting in favor of the proposal also confined their comments to the general question of 1080 LPC use. However, some of those commenting in favor of the proposed amendment addressed the administrative controls contained in the proposed 1080 LPC amendment. These comments generally addressed the fact that only ADC officials would be certified to use 1080 LPC and the control of access to 1080 LPC provided by this provision.

No comments were received that addressed or demonstrated how the Oregon proposed 1080 LPC amendment failed to meet the requirement for approval contained in FIFRA, the regulations at 40 CFR part 171, the labeling, and the Administrator's final decision. EPA continues to monitor the registration and use of the 1080 LPC to assure restrictions are adequate for minimizing risks to human health and the environment. EPA and the ODA plan to closely monitor the use of 1080

LPC's by the ADC to ensure compliance with the Plan and label requirements. Reports of misuse or problems connected with the use of 1080 LPC should be directed to the EPA or the ODA. Address and phone numbers can be found below.

The amendment to the Oregon Certification Plan for the certification of 1080 LPC applicators is approved.

Copies of the Oregon approved plan amendment and comments are available for review at the following locations during normal business hours:

1. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, Pesticides Unit, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Eighth Floor, Seattle, Washington 98101. Telephone (206) 553-1980.

2. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Room 1121, Arlington, VA 22202. Telephone (703) 305-7370.

3. Oregon Department of Agriculture, Plant Division, 635 Capitol Street N.E., Salem, Oregon 97310. Telephone (503) 986-4635.

Dated: December 3, 1996.

Charles Clarke,

Regional Administrator, Region 10.

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[PF-684; FRL 5578-2]

DowElanco; Pesticide Tolerance Petition Filing

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Filing.

SUMMARY: This notice is a summary of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of a regulation for residues of spinosad in or on apples, brassica leafy vegetables, and fruiting vegetables (except cucurbits).

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket number [PF-684], must be received on or before, January 23, 1997.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments to: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street S.W., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Room 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an