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opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov

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The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, pesticides and pests, emergency exemptions.

Dated: February 9, 1996.

Stephen L. Johnson,
*Director, Registration Division, Office of
Pesticide Programs.*

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[OPP-180992; FRL 5348-6]

Chlorfenpyr; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption, Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received a specific
exemption request from the South

Carolina Department of Fertilizer and
Pesticide Control (hereafter referred to
as the "Applicant") to use the pesticide
chlorfenpyr to treat up to 150,000 acres
of cotton to control the beet armyworm
(BAW). The Applicant proposes the use
of a new (unregistered) chemical.
Therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR
166.24, EPA is soliciting public
comment before making the decision
whether or not to grant the exemption.

DATES: Comments must be received on
or before March 14, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written
comments, bearing the identification
notation "OPP-180992," should be
submitted by mail to: Public Response
and Program Resource Branch, Field
Operations Division (7506C), Office of
Pesticide Programs, Environmental
Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW.,
Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring
comments to: Rm. 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-
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Comments and data will also be
accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 5.1
file format or ASCII file format. All
comments and data in electronic form
must be identified by the docket number
[OPP-180992]. No Confidential
Business Information (CBI) should be
submitted through e-mail. Electronic
comments on this notice may be filed
online at many Federal Depository
Libraries. Additional information on
electronic submissions can be found
below in this document.

Information submitted in any
comment concerning this notice may be
claimed confidential by marking any
part or all of that information as (CBI).
Information so marked will not be
disclosed except in accordance with
procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.
A copy of the comment that does not
contain CBI must be provided by the
submitter for inclusion in the public
record. Information not marked
confidential may be disclosed publicly
by EPA without prior notice. All written
comments filed pursuant to this notice
will be available for public inspection in
Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921
Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA,
from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By
mail: Margarita Collantes, Registration
Division (7505W), Office of Pesticide
Programs, Environmental Protection

Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington,
DC 20460. Office location and telephone
number: Floor 6, Crystal Station #1,
2800 Jefferson Davis Highway,
Arlington, VA, (703) 308-8347; e-mail:
collantes.margarita@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant
to Section 18 of the Federal Insecticide,
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)
(7 U.S.C. 136p), the Administrator may,
at her discretion, exempt a state agency
from any registration provision of
FIFRA if she determines that emergency
conditions exist which require such
exemption. The Applicant has requested
the Administrator to issue a specific
exemption for the use of chlorfenpyr on
cotton to control beet armyworm.
Information in accordance with 40 CFR
part 166 was submitted as part of this
request.

According to the Applicant, this
request is based on the history of beet
armyworm infestations throughout
South Carolina in past years and the
economic losses suffered as a result of
those outbreaks. Typically, those
outbreaks have occurred in late planted
cotton (late May and June planting
dates). Research has shown that cotton
planted after May 15 will generally
suffer a significant yield reduction
compared with earlier planted cotton.

Under the proposed exemptions,
Pirate 3SC may be applied at the rate of
0.4 lbs a.i. (17.06 fluid ozs.) per acre
using ground or aerial equipment.
Product may be applied no more than 2
applications during the growing season
(not to exceed 0.4 lbs a.i. per acre).

This notice does not constitute a
decision by EPA on the application
itself. The regulations governing section
18 require publication of a notice of
receipt of an application for a specific
exemption proposing use of a new
chemical (i.e., an active ingredient not
contained in any currently registered
pesticide), [40 CFR 166.24 (a)(1)]. Such
notice provides for opportunity for
public comment on the application.

A record has been established for this
notice under docket number [OPP-
180992] (including comments and data
submitted electronically as described
below). A public version of this record,
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The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the South Carolina Department of Fertilizer and Pesticide Control.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, pesticides and pests, emergency exemptions.

Dated: February 2, 1996.

Stephen L. Johnson,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[PP 3G4263/T685; FRL 5348-4]

Fipronil; Renewal of a Temporary Tolerance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has renewed a temporary tolerance for combined residues of the insecticide fipronil or its metabolites in or on the raw agricultural commodity field corn grain at 0.02 parts per million (ppm).

DATES: This temporary tolerance expires March 28, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Richard Keigwin, Product Manager (PM) 10, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 210, CM#2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-

6788; e-mail:

keigwin.richard@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA issued a notice published in the Federal Register of May 17, 1995 (60 FR 26434), stating that a temporary tolerance had been established for combined residues of the insecticide fipronil (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulphonyl pyrazole) or its metabolites MB 46136 (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulphonyl pyrazole) or MB 45950 (5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylthiopyrazole) in or on the raw agricultural commodity field corn grain at 0.02 parts per million (ppm). This tolerance is renewed in response to a request dated November 15, 1995, to extend Pesticide Petition (PP) 3G4263, submitted by Rhone Poulenc AG Company, P.O. Box 12014, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2014.

The company has requested a 1-year renewal of a temporary tolerance for residues of the insecticide to permit the continued marketing of the above raw agricultural commodity when treated in accordance with the provisions of the experimental use permit 264-EUP-95, which is being renewed under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended (Pub. L. 95-396, 92 Stat. 819; 7 U.S.C. 136).

The scientific data reported and other relevant material were evaluated, and it was determined that a renewal of the temporary tolerance will protect the public health. Therefore, the temporary tolerance has been renewed on the condition that the pesticide be used in accordance with the experimental use permit and with the following provisions:

1. The total amount of the active ingredient to be used must not exceed the quantity authorized by the experimental use permit.

2. Rhone Poulenc AG Company must immediately notify the EPA of any findings from the experimental use that have a bearing on safety. The company must also keep records of production, distribution, and performance and on request make the records available to any authorized officer or employee of the EPA or the Food and Drug Administration.

This tolerance expires March 28, 1997. Residues not in excess of this amount remaining in or on the above raw agricultural commodity after this expiration date will not be considered

actionable if the pesticide is legally applied during the term of, and in accordance with, the provisions of the experimental use permit and temporary tolerance. This tolerance may be revoked if the experimental use permit is revoked or if any experience with or scientific data on this pesticide indicate that such revocation is necessary to protect the public health.

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this notice from the requirements of section 3 of Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a(j).

List of Subjects

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

Dated: February 2, 1996.

Stephen L. Johnson,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[PF644; FRL-5347-8]

Exemption From the Requirement of Temporary Tolerances for Trichodex (or ABG-8007)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Receipt of Petition.

SUMMARY: EPA has received a petition (PP 6G4622) for an exemption from the requirement of temporary tolerances in or on all raw agricultural commodities which have been treated with Trichodex (or ABG-8007). This petition is associated with a request for an Experimental Use Permit (11678-EUP-R) for the subject pesticide, and is considered to be of regional and/or national significance.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted to EPA by March 29, 1996. **ADDRESSES:** By mail, comments should be forwarded to Public Response and