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**Environmental Protection Agency** of the United States

Notice of availability of petition to revoke tolerances for 13 pesticides

- 1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and wishes to inform Members that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of the United States is seeking comments on a petition of 23 July 2009 from the American Bird Conservancy (ABC), requesting that the EPA revoke tolerances established under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), Section 408, for uses of 13 pesticides with no associated US registrations. ABC claims that maintaining these tolerances allows Central and South American countries to continue using these pesticides on crops for which the United States has already determined there are unacceptable risks for US protected migratory birds.
- 2. Details of the pesticides are listed in the attached notice (also available online at: http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2009/September/Day-01/p21124.htm).
- 3. Four pesticides are relevant to coffee. Comments should be received by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on or before 2 November 2009. Instructions on how and where to direct comments are provided in the attached notice, together with tips for preparing comments. Members are also invited to send a copy of their communications to the EPA for information to the Executive Director.

estimated to average 14 hours to prepare and submit each substantiation or 6,302 hours. In addition, EPA utilizes the services of contractors/subcontractors under the authority of 40 CFR part 2, subpart B, all contractors/subcontractors who may be given access to confidential business information must first sign confidentiality agreements state that they will honor the terms of the contract/subcontract which requires the protection of CBI. The annual total burden for signing and maintaining the agreements would be 130.3 hours. 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; adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; training personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; searching data sources; completing and reviewing the collection of information; and transmitting or otherwise disclosing the information. The ICR provides a detailed explanation of the Agency's estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

Estimated total number of potential

respondents: 1,330.

Frequency of response: On occasion. Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 1. Estimated total annual burden hours:

6,521 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: \$212,185.24. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$0 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

# Are There Changes in the Estimates From the Last Approval?

No

### What Is the Next Step in the Process for This ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. At that time, EPA will issue another Federal Register notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a) (1) (iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical

# person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Dated: August 26, 2009.

#### John Moses,

Division Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0629; FRL-8432-9]

Petition to Revoke Tolerances for 13 Pesticides; Notice of Availability

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the availability and seeking comment on a July 23, 2009 petition from the American Bird Conservancy (ABC), requesting that EPA revoke tolerances established under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), section 408, for uses of 13 pesticides with no associated U.S. registrations. ABC claims that maintaining these tolerances allows Central and South American countries to continue using these pesticides on crops for which the United States has already determined there are unacceptable risks for U.S. protected migratory birds.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 2, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0629, by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

• Mail: Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

• Delivery: OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket Facility's normal hours of operation (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays). Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0629. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket

without change and may be made available on-line at http:// www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or email. The regulations gov website is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at http://www.regulations.gov. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either in the electronic docket at http:// www.regulations.gov, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPP Regulatory Public Docket in Rm. S– 4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. The hours of operation of this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305–5805.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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Reregistration Division (7508P), Office
of Pesticide Programs, Environmental
Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania
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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 and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and foreign governments.

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in this unit could also be affected. Since others also may interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all 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 person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

- 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 or e-mail. 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.

### II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

EPA requests public comment during the next 60 days on a petition available under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0629, received from the ABC. The petition requests that EPA revoke tolerances established under section 408 of the FFDCA for uses of 13 pesticides with no associated U.S. registrations. ABC claims that maintaining these tolerances allows Central and South American countries to continue using these pesticides on crops for which the United States has already determined there are unacceptable risks for U.S. protected migratory birds.

The Specific 13 Tolerances Requested for Revocation are:

| Pesticide     | Tolerance Requested for Revocation  | CFR Citation   |
|---------------|---|----------------|
| Cadusafos     | Banana  | 40 CFR 180.461 |
| Cyproconazole | Coffee, bean, green (imported)  | 40 CFR 180.485 |
| Diazinon      | Kiwifruit   | 40 CFR 180.153 |
| Dithianon     | Fruit, pome, group 11<br>Hop, dried cones   | 40 CFR 180.621 |
| Diquat        | Banana<br>Coffee, bean, green   | 40 CFR 180.226 |
| Dimethoate    | Blueberry   | 40 CFR 180.204 |
| Fenamiphos    | Banana Fruit, citrus, group 10 Garlic Grape Pineapple   | 40 CFR 180.349 |
| Mevinphos     | Broccoli Cabbage Cauliflower Celery Cucumber Grape Lettuce Melon Pea Pepper Spinach Squash, summer Strawberry Tomato Watermelon | 40 CFR 180.157 |

| Pesticide  | Tolerance Requested for Revocation                          | CFR Citation   |
|------------|---|----------------|
| Methomyl   | Hop, dried cones  | 40 CFR 180.253 |
| Naled      | Cucumber Lettuce Tomato Pumpkin Squash, winter Turnip, tops | 40 CFR 180.215 |
| Phorate    | Coffee, bean, green   | 40 CFR 180.206 |
| Terbufos   | Coffee, bean, green   | 40 CFR 180.352 |
| Dichlorvos | Tomato  | 40 CFR 180.235 |

ABC also asserts that should EPA believe that tolerances for import purposes are necessary, it must consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to retain the tolerances listed above to "identify where unintentional take reasonably attributable to agency actions is having, or is likely to have, a measurable negative effect on migratory bird populations..." and "develop and use principles, standards and practices that will lessen the amount of unintentional take...'

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pest.

Dated: August 24, 2009.

#### Peter Caulkins,

Acting Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL -8951-6]

Notice of a Project Waiver of Section 1605 (Buy American Requirement) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to the Town of Cape Charles, VA

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

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Regional Administrator of EPA Region III is hereby granting a project waiver of the Buy American requirements of ARRA Section 1605 under the authority of Section 1605(b)(2) [manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality] to the Town of Cape Charles for the purchase of membrane filtrations cassettes, which are an integral

component of the Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) wastewater treatment process, at its Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Cape Charles indicates that the MBR treatment process is necessary to achieve the wastewater treatment levels required by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits issued for this WWTP. The membrane filtration equipment under consideration is manufactured by a company located in Canada and no United Štates manufacturer produces an alternative that meets Cape Charles's technical specifications. This is a project specific waiver and only applies to the use of the specified product for the ARRA funded project being proposed. Any other ARRA project that may wish to use the same product must apply for a separate waiver based on the specific project circumstances. The Acting Regional Administrator is making this determination based on the review and recommendations of the EPA Region III, Water Protection Division, Office of Infrastructure and Assistance. Cape Charles has provided sufficient documentation to support its

The Assistant Administrator of the EPA's Office of Administration and Resources Management has concurred on this decision to make an exception to Section 1605 of ARRA. This action permits the purchase of membrane filtration cassettes for the proposed project being implemented by Cape Charles.

**DATES:** Effective Date: August 19, 2009. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Chominski, Deputy Associate Director, (215) 814-2162, or David McAdams, Environmental Engineer, (215) 814-5764, Office of Infrastructure & Assistance (OIA), Water Protection Division, U.S. EPA Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with ARRA Section 1605(c), EPA hereby provides notice that it is granting a project waiver of the requirements of Section 1605(b)(2) of Public Law 111–5, Buy American requirements to the Town of Cape Charles for the acquisition of membrane filtration cassettes manufactured by GE Water and Process Technologies located in Canada. Cape Charles has been unable to find an American made membrane filtration cassette manufacturer to meet its specific wastewater requirements.

Section 1605 of the ARRA requires that none of the appropriated funds may be used for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States unless a waiver is provided to the recipient by EPA. A waiver may be provided if EPA determines that (1) Applying these requirements would be inconsistent with public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than

Cape Charles's waiver request is to allow the purchase of three membrane filtration cassettes for use in improvements to its existing WWTP. This project will upgrade its existing WWTP by adding a new MBR treatment process. The membrane filtration cassette is an integral component of the MBR treatment process because it separates the treated wastewater from the mixed liquor which comes from the biological reactors, before the treated wastewater is disinfected and discharged. After an engineering analysis of alternate treatment processes, Cape Charles determined MBR to be the most environmentally

25 percent.