

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-50878 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically by e-mail to: opp-docket@epa.gov, or you can submit a computer disk as described above. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPP-50878. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

D. How Should I Handle CBI That I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI 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. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any 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 version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about

CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Background

AgraQuest, Inc., 1530 Drew Avenue, Davis, CA 95616 has requested an EUP for the microbial pesticide *Bacillus pumilus* Strain QST 2808 for a 2 year period, commencing March 1, 2001 and ending March 1, 2003. The objective of this EUP is to obtain efficacy and phytotoxicity data over a large geographical area on many important minor crops. A total of 4,000 acres are proposed to be treated with 2,188 pounds of active ingredient. AgraQuest's proposed testing areas include the following states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Michigan, North Carolina, North Dakota, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed crop treatment sites include brassica, bulb vegetables, cereal grains, cucurbits, fruiting vegetables, grape, grass seed, hop, leafy vegetables, legume vegetables, mint, peanuts, pome fruits, root and tuber vegetables, roses (field) and stone fruits. The application methods proposed include ground, aerial, and chemigation methodology.

III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Following the review of the AgraQuest, Inc. application and any

comments and data received in response to this notice, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny the EUP request for this EUP program, and if issued, the conditions under which it is to be conducted. Any issuance of an EUP will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

IV. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

The Agency's authority for taking this action is under 40 CFR part 172.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Experimental use permits.

Dated: April 17, 2001.

Kathleen F. Knox,

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

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 01-933, ET Docket No. 98-206]

The MITRE Corporation Report on Technical Analysis of Potential Harmful Interference to DBS From Proposed Terrestrial Services in the 12.2-12.7 GHz Band

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The MITRE Corporation delivered to the FCC a Report titled "Analysis of Potential MVDDS Interference to DBS in the 12.2-12.7 GHz Band." The MITRE Corporation report was conducted pursuant to Prevention of Interference to Direct Broadcast Satellite Services, of the Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Appropriations Act, (CJSJA Act), H.R. 5548 (enacted on December 21, 2000, as part of Public Law 106-553). The MITRE Corporation report addresses the question of possible interference from MVDDS to DBS. Pursuant to the statute, the Commission seeks comment on this report.

DATES: Comments Due: May 15, 2001; Reply Comments Due May 23, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Marcus for the MITRE Study, and Tom Derenge for ET Docket No. 98-206, Office of Engineering and Technology, (202) 418-2418, and (202) 418-2451, respectively; internet mmarcus@fcc.gov and tderenge@fcc.gov, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the text of the *Public Notice*, DA 01-933 released April 23, 2001. This document is available on the Commission's Internet site, at www.fcc.gov/oet/info/mitrereport/. It is also available for inspection and copying during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC, and also may be purchased from the Commission's duplication contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

Summary of the Public Notice

1. On April 18, 2001, MITRE Corporation delivered to the FCC a Report titled "Analysis of Potential MVDDS Interference to DBS in the 12.2-12.7 GHz Band." The MITRE Corporation report was conducted pursuant to Section 1012, Prevention of Interference to Direct Broadcast Satellite Services, of the Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Appropriations Act, (CJSJA Act), H.R. 5548 (enacted on December 21, 2000, as part of Public Law 106-553). This document can be found through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html. It can also be found directly at www.fcc.gov/oet/inf/mitrereport/. (The report contains many color diagrams so use of a color printer is recommended in order to follow the technical details in hard copies.) Pursuant to the statute, the Commission seeks comment on this report.

2. The *First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in ET Docket 98-206, 66 FR 7606, January 24, 2000, (http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/Orders/2000/fcc00418.pdf) proposed that a new Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service (MVDDS) share the existing Direct Broadcast Satellite Service (DBS) downlink allocation at 12.2-12.7 GHz. The MITRE Corporation report addresses the question of possible interference from MVDDS to DBS users in accordance with Section 1012 of the CJSJA Act.

3. Comments on The MITRE Corporation report shall be filed by no later than May 15, 2001. Replies to the comments shall be filed no later than May 23, 2001. Comments and replies are to be filed with the Commission following the same procedures applicable to the First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in this proceeding, ET Docket No. 98-206. Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet at www.fcc.gov/e-file/

ecfs.html. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To obtain filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message: "get form <your e-mail address>". A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

4. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. Generally, only one electronic submission must be filed. If filing by paper, parties must file an original and four copies. Parties should send comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Parties are also encouraged to file a copy of all pleadings on a 3.5 inch diskette in Word 97 format.

5. This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's ex parte rules. See 47 CFR 1.1200 and 1.1206. Persons making oral ex parte presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance or the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented generally is required. See 47 CFR 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written ex parte presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in 47 CFR 1.1206(b).

6. This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Sections 4(i) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 154(i) and 303(r); and pursuant to §§ 0.31 and 0.241 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 0.31 and 0.241.

Federal Communications Commission.

Geraldine Matise,

*Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division,
Office of Engineering and Technology.*

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STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE & TIME:

Thursday, May 10, 2001, Meeting Open to the Public.

This meeting has been cancelled.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer,
Telephone: (202) 694-1200.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, May 8, 2001 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.