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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. This action may, however, be of interest to those persons interested in agricultural biotechnology or those who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the 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. Background

Monsanto Company has developed an insect-protected soybean, MON 87701, that produces the Cry1Ac protein to provide protection from feeding damage from certain lepidopteran pests. The 524-EUP-1 application is for 133.10 acres of MON 87701 and 156.52 acres of non-plant-incorporated protectant and border acres for plantings through July 31, 2009. A total of five trial protocols will be conducted, including: Agronomic yield trials, breeding and observation nursery trials, regulatory trials, product characterization and efficacy trials, and product development trials. States involved include: Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Following the review of the Monsanto Company 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 FIFRA section 5.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Experimental use permits.

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Draft Toxicological Review of Propionaldehyde: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The EPA is announcing a public comment period to review selected sections of the final draft document titled, "Toxicological Review of Propionaldehyde: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)" (EPA/600/R-08/003), related to the human health assessment for Propionaldehyde. The document was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) within EPA's Office of Research and Development.

Public comments submitted to the EPA by May 5, 2008 will be provided to the external peer review panel prior to their meeting (to be announced).

EPA is releasing the draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination. EPA will consider any public comments submitted in accordance with this notice when revising the document.

DATES: The 60-day public comment period begins on March 6, 2008 and ends May 5, 2008. Technical comments should be in writing and must be received by EPA by May 5, 2008. The peer review panel meeting will be announced in a subsequent **Federal Register** Notice.

ADDRESSES: The draft "Toxicological Review of Propionaldehyde: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)" (EPA/600/R-08/003) is available primarily via the Internet on NCEA's

home page under the Recent Additions menu at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of paper copies are available by contacting the IRIS Hotline at (202) 566-1676, (202) 566-1749 (facsimile), or hotline.iris@epa.gov. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, the document title, and the EPA number of the requested publication. Technical comments may be submitted electronically via www.regulations.gov, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Environmental Information Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-1753; or e-mail: ORD.Docket@epa.gov.

If you have questions about the document, contact John Stanek, Chemical Manager, National Center for Environmental Assessment; telephone: 919-541-1048; facsimile: 919-541-0248; e-mail: stanek.john@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Information About the Document

IRIS is a database that contains scientific Agency positions on potential adverse human health effects that may result from chronic (or lifetime) exposure to specific chemical substances found in the environment. The database (available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/iris>) contains qualitative and quantitative health effects information for more than 500 chemical substances that may be used to support the first two steps (hazard identification and dose-response evaluation) of the risk assessment process. When supported by available data, the database provides oral reference doses (RfDs) and inhalation reference concentrations (RfCs) for chronic health effects, and oral slope factors and inhalation unit risks for carcinogenic effects. Combined with specific exposure information, government and private entities use IRIS to help characterize public health risks of chemical substances in a site-specific situation and thereby support risk management decisions designed to protect public health.

II. How To Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at www.regulations.gov

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0165, by one of the following methods:

- www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- **E-mail:** ORD.Docket@epa.gov.
- **Fax:** 202-566-1753.
- **Mail:** Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket (Mail Code: 2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202-566-1752.
- **Hand Delivery:** The OEI Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, Room 3334 EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202-566-1744. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

If you provide comments by mail or hand delivery, please submit three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0165. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the closing date will be marked "late," and may only be considered if time permits. It is EPA's policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless a 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 www.regulations.gov or e-mail. The www.regulations.gov Web site 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 www.regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public 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. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

Docket: Documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. 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 materials, such as copyrighted material, are publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

Dated: February 28, 2008.

Rebecca Clark,

Deputy Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Public Water System Supervision Program Revisions for the State of South Carolina

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of tentative approval.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the State of South Carolina is revising their Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) program to meet the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control adopted drinking water regulations for the Long Term 2 Surface Water Treatment and the Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products Rules. EPA has determined that these revisions are no less stringent than the corresponding federal regulations. Therefore, EPA intends to approve South Carolina's PWSS program for these rules.

DATES: All interested parties may request a public hearing and/or submit comments within thirty (30) days of the **Federal Register** publication date to the Regional Administrator at the address