

risk, extent of use, complexity of issues, and degree of public concern associated with each pesticide. Due to its limited use pattern and low risks of concern, ferbam was reviewed through the modified 4-Phase process. Through this process, EPA worked extensively with stakeholders and the public to reach the regulatory decisions for ferbam.

The reregistration program is being conducted under Congressionally mandated time frames, and EPA recognizes the need both to make timely decisions and to involve the public. The Agency is issuing the ferbam RED for public comment. This comment period is intended to provide an additional opportunity for public input and a mechanism for initiating any necessary amendments to the RED. For ecological and worker protection, the Agency is prohibiting aerial applications, requiring decreased rates and added personal protective equipment for some uses. Comments on the feasibility of these mitigation measures and/or benefits of ferbam use are requested. All comments should be submitted using the methods in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, and must be received by EPA on or before the closing date. These comments will become part of the Agency Docket for ferbam. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." EPA is not required to consider these late comments.

The Agency will carefully consider all comments received by the closing date and will provide a Response to Comments Memorandum in the Docket and electronic EDOCKET. If any comment significantly affects the document, EPA also will publish an amendment to the RED in the **Federal Register**. In the absence of substantive comments requiring changes, the ferbam RED will be implemented as it is now presented.

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

Section 4(g)(2) of FIFRA as amended directs that, after submission of all data concerning a pesticide active ingredient, "the Administrator shall determine whether pesticides containing such active ingredient are eligible for reregistration," before calling in product-specific data on individual end-use products and either reregistering products or taking other "appropriate regulatory action."

Section 408(q) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(q), requires EPA to review tolerances and exemptions for pesticide residues in effect as of August 2, 1996, to determine whether the tolerance or

exemption meets the requirements of section 408(b)(2) or (c)(2) of FFDCA. This review is to be completed by August 3, 2006.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

December 19, 2005.

Debra Edwards,

Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0308- FRL-7755-4]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for the Establishment of Regulations for Residues of the Fungicide Metiram in or on Food Commodities; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA issued a notice in the **Federal Register** of November 30, 2005, concerning the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of metiram: a mixture of 5.2 parts by weight of ammoniates of ethylenebis(dithiocarbamate) zinc with 1 part by weight ethylenebis(dithiocarbamic acid) bimolecular and trimolecular cyclic anhydrosulfides and disulfides, calculated as zinc ethylenebis(dithiocarbamate) in or on imported grapes and bananas with a 30-day public comment period. This document is extending the comment period for 20 days, from December 30, 2005 to January 19, 2006.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0308 must be received on or before January 19, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the November 30, 2005 **Federal Register** document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Jones, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-9424; e-mail address: jones.lisa@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

The Agency included in the notice a list of those who may be potentially affected by this action. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0308. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1801 S. Bell St., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "Federal Register" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

EDOCKET, EPA's electronic public docket and comment system was replaced on November 25, 2005, by an enhanced Federal-wide electronic docket management and comment system located at <http://www.regulations.gov/>. Follow the on-line instructions.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

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detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the November 30, 2005 **Federal Register** document. If you have questions, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Action is EPA Taking?

This document extends the public comment period established in the **Federal Register** of November 30, 2005 (70 FR 71836) (FRL-7747-5). In that document, Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for the Establishment of Regulations for Residues of the Fungicide Metiram in or on Food Commodities, the comment period was set to end on December 30, 2005, EPA is hereby extending it to January 19, 2006.

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

In accordance with section 408(d)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the Administrator shall publish a notice of filing of a petition.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

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Lois Rossi,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0307; FRL-7755-3]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for the Establishment of Regulations for Residues of the Fungicide Mancozeb in or on Food Commodities; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA issued a notice in the **Federal Register** of November 30, 2005, concerning the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of mancozeb in or on almond nuts and hulls; broccoli, cabbage, lettuce and peppers; and imported oranges/mandarins with a 30-day public comment period. This document is extending the comment period for 20 days, from December 30, 2005 to January 19, 2006.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0307 must be received on or before January 19, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the November 30, 2005 **Federal Register** document.

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1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0307. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1801 S. Bell St., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

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