

I. General Information

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

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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.
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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 is printing a summary of the pesticide petitions received under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, proposing the establishment of regulations in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of pendimethalin in or on fruiting vegetable group, pome fruit group, apple pomace, junberry, stone fruit group, and pomegranate. EPA has determined that the pesticide petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in FFDCA section 408(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data support granting of the pesticide petitions. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on these pesticide petitions.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 180.7(f), a summary of the petitions included in this notice, prepared by the petitioner along with a description of the analytical method available for the detection and measurement of pendimethalin residues is available on EPA's Electronic Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>. To locate this information on the home page of EPA's Electronic Docket, select "Quick Search" and type the OPP docket ID number. Once the search has located the docket, clicking on the "Docket ID" will bring up a list of all documents in the docket for the pesticide including the petition summary.

New Tolerances

PP 0E6175, 2E6450, 2E6464, and 2E6449. Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4), 681 U.S. Highway #1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-3390, proposes to establish tolerances for residues of the herbicide [N-(1-ethylpropyl)-3,4-dimethyl-2,6-dinitrobenzenamine, (pendimethalin) and its 3, 5-dinitrobenzyl alcohol metabolite (CL 202347)] in or on the following food commodities:

1. *PP 0E6175* proposes to establish a tolerance for fruiting vegetable group 8 at 0.1 parts per million (ppm).

2. *PP 2E6450* proposes to establish tolerances for pome fruit group 11 at 0.05 ppm; apple pomace at 0.20 ppm, and junberry at 0.05.

3. *PP 2E6464* proposes to establish a tolerance for stone fruit group 12 at 0.05 ppm.

4. *PP 2E6449* proposes to establish a tolerance for pomegranate at 0.05 ppm.

Section 408 (b)(3) of the amended FDCA requires EPA to determine that there is a practical method for detecting and measuring levels of the pesticide chemical residue in or on food and that the tolerance be set at a level at or above of the limit of detection of the designated method. In plants the method is aqueous organic solvent extraction, column clean up, and quantitation by GC. The method has a limit of quantitation (LOQ) of 0.05 ppm for pendimethalin and the alcohol metabolite is used to measure and evaluate the chemical residue(s).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0145; FRL-8070-8]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for Establishment and Amendment to Regulations for Residues of Boscalid in or on Various Commodities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice..

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment or amendment of regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various commodities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0145 and pesticide petition numbers PP 3E6791

and PP 5E7013 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 Building), 2777 S. Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket'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 telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0145. 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 www.regulations.gov or e-mail. The Federal www.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 www.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.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Madden, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-6463; fax number: (703) 305-0599; e-mail address: madden.barbara@epa.gov.

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residues is available on EPA's Electronic Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>. To locate this information on the home page of EPA's Electronic Docket, select "Quick Search" and type the OPP docket ID number. Once the search has located the docket, clicking on the "Docket ID" will bring up a list of all documents in the docket for the pesticide including the petition summary.

New Tolerance

1. *PP 3E6791*. Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4), 681 U.S. Highway #1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-3390, proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the fungicide boscalid; 3-pyridinecarboxamide, 2-chloro-N-(4'-chloro(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-yl) in or on food commodities leafy greens subgroup 4A, except head lettuce and leaf lettuce at 60 parts per million ppm and leaf petioles subgroup 4B at 45 ppm.

2. *PP 5E7013*. Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4), 681 U.S. Highway #1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-3390, proposes to amend the tolerances in 40 CFR 180.589 for residues of the fungicide boscalid; 3-pyridinecarboxamide, 2-chloro-N-(4'-chloro(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-yl) in or on the food commodities by increasing the established tolerances in or on the raw agricultural commodities; Fruit, pome, crop group, group 11, to include postharvest use at 8.0 ppm; Fruit, Stone, crop group 12, to include postharvest use, at 9.0 ppm. Additionally, IR-4 proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the fungicide boscalid; 3-pyridinecarboxamide, 2-chloro-N-(4'-chloro(1,1'-biphenyl)-2-yl) in or on the food commodity Belgian endive at 12.0 ppm.

The following analytical methods are used to measure and evaluate the chemical residues in plants the parent residue is extracted using an aqueous organic solvent mixture followed by liquid/liquid partitioning and a column clean up. Quantitation is by gas chromatography using mass spectrometry (GC/MS). In livestock the residues are extracted with methanol. The extract is treated with enzymes in order to release the conjugated glucuronic acid metabolite. The residues are then isolated by liquid/liquid partition followed by column chromatography. The hydroxylated metabolite is acetylated followed by a column clean-up. The parent and acetylated metabolite are quantitated by gas chromatography with electron capture detection.

List of Subjects

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Dated: June 1, 2006.

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Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0503; FRL-8072-7]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions for Establishment of Regulations for Residues of Pendimethalin in or on Onion, Green; Leek; Onion, Welsh; Shallot, Fresh Leaves; and Strawberry

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of pendimethalin in or on onion, green; leek; onion, welsh; shallot, fresh leaves; and strawberry.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0503 and pesticide petition numbers (PP) 5E6927 and 5E6928, by one of the following methods:

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