

in the Code of **Federal Register**, 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The intended survey questionnaire was initially formulated by a voluntary Regional Tribal Operational Committee (RTOC) workgroup comprised of seven (7) members: Five (5) members from various Region IX tribes and two (2) EPA advisors.⁴ Although the survey's concept, content and format was reviewed and approved by a Tribal coalition advisory group, the Regional Tribal Operational Committee (whose members are representative of federally recognized tribes in Region IX) on October 25, 2000, EPA encourages comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses. In instances where tribes lack computer access, responses will be requested in hard copy.

Burden Statement

It is estimated that there will be approximately 145 tribal respondents to the Questionnaire and survey described within this notice. In accordance with Federal Law, the agency is required to estimate any burden incurred by the respondents to maintain records, transmit or disclose information to parties other than the implementing agency. It is not anticipated that any third party or parties will be involved, thus, there will be no third party burden. Any estimate and identification of burden will rely on the voluntary response by each respondent. EPA estimates a total response burden of two (2) hours per participant. Labor costs for responding is estimated at \$28.00 per hour, based on the "Employer Cost for

Employment Compensation" (Bureau of Labor and Statistics, March 1999). There is no need for "developing, acquiring or utilizing technology systems for the purpose of collecting, validating or verifying information," "disclosing and providing information," "adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previous applicable instructions or requirements," "training personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information," "searching data sources," nor a need for respondents to keep records." Burden activities include only a few steps: Reading or listening to instructions, reading or listening to survey questions and responding to survey questions. The average cost per respondent is estimated at \$56.00.

No capital expenditures are needed by the respondent to complete the survey.

No operating and maintenance costs (on-going non-wage expenditures) are needed to complete the survey. Also, there are no capital or start-up costs.

To perform EPA's activities for the survey, EPA estimates that 80 hours of a federal employee at the Grade level GS-13, Step 1 level will be needed, at an hourly wage of \$51.60. This estimate is based on the 2000 General Services Annual Pay Schedule divided by 2,080 hours per year and multiplied by 1.6 (standard government benefits multiplication factor). EPA estimates that the federal employee will work 4.6% of the employee's time on this project during the life of the survey (48 weeks) or approximately 88 hours (1,920 hours x .046), for an estimated cost to manage the project of \$4,540.80.

EPA will be assisted in the survey by a contractor. The budget period is for 12 months. Funding covers: Survey design and planning; data collection and processing. EPA estimates that the contractor, Science Applications International Corporation, will require an estimated total of 183 labor hours and \$10,000.

EPA estimates that 145 respondent tribes will voluntarily respond to the survey at a total burden of 290 hours and a total cost of \$8120.00. It is estimated that the average respondent burden is two (2) hours per response at a total cost of \$56.00 per response, including the time for reviewing, gathering and processing the information and completing and reviewing the collection of information. 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.

Dated: January 3, 2001.

Michael Feeley,

Deputy Director, Superfund Division, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34225B; FRL-6763-7]

Diazinon; Receipt of Requests for Amendments and Cancellations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The companies that manufacture diazinon [*O,O*-diethyl *O*-(2-isopropyl-6-methyl-4-pyrimidinyl) phosphorothioate] for formulation of pesticide products containing diazinon have asked EPA to cancel their manufacturing-use product registrations. In addition, these companies have asked EPA to cancel or amend their registrations for end-use products containing diazinon to delete all indoor and certain agricultural uses. Pursuant to section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA is announcing the Agency's receipt of these requests. These requests for voluntary cancellation were submitted to EPA on December 1, 2000. EPA intends to grant the requested cancellations and amendments to delete uses. EPA also plans to issue a cancellation order for the deleted uses and the canceled registrations at the close of the comment period for this announcement. Upon the issuance of the cancellation order, any distribution, sale, or use of diazinon products listed in this Notice will only be permitted if such distribution, sale, or use is consistent with the terms of that order.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 9, 2001. Comments on the requested amendments to delete uses and the requested registration cancellations must be submitted to the address provided below and identified by docket control number OPP-34225B.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-34225B in the subject line on the first page of your response.

⁴ The resulting questionnaire, with minor modifications, is similar to an earlier EPA survey distributed to state SERCs and LEPCs within EPA Region IX (as described in **Federal Register** document published on May 14, 1999, 64 FR 26405).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ben Chambliss, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8174; fax number: (703) 308-7042; e-mail address: chambliss.ben@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This announcement consists of three parts. The first part contains general information. The second part addresses the registrants' requests for registration cancellations and amendments to delete uses. The third part proposes existing stocks provisions that will be set forth in the cancellation order that the Agency intends to issue at the close of the comment period for this announcement.

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. You may be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture, sell, distribute, or use diazinon products. The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, does not apply because this action is not a rule, for purposes of 5 U.S.C. 804(3). 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. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations and Proposed Rules" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. To access information about the risk assessment for diazinon, go to the Home Page for the Office of Pesticide Programs or go directly to <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/op/diazinon.htm>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-34225B. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

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-34225B 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-34225B. 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 or collection activity.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
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. Receipt of Requests to Cancel and Amend Registrations to Delete Uses

A. Background

In separate letters dated December 1, 2000, both Syngenta Crop Protection,

Inc. and Makhteshim Agan of North America, Inc./Makhteshim Chemical Works, Ltd., manufacturers of technical diazinon and registrants of pesticide products containing diazinon, requested cancellation of all indoor and certain agricultural uses from their diazinon products to reduce the potential exposure to children associated with diazinon containing products. The letters also request that EPA cancel their registrations for technical and manufacturing-use pesticide products containing diazinon, conditioned upon issuance of replacement registrations which do not allow their use in formulation of end-use products for the deleted uses. EPA intends to act quickly on the requests, and to issue new registrations on or before January 15, 2001. In addition, these companies have asked EPA to cancel or amend their registrations for end-use products containing diazinon that are registered for only the deleted uses. Pursuant to section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA is announcing the Agency's receipt of these requests from the registrants. With respect to the registration amendments, the companies have asked EPA to amend end-use product registrations to delete all indoor

uses and certain agricultural uses which are in the list below:

1. *Indoor uses:* Pet collars, or inside any structure or vehicle, vessel, or aircraft or any enclosed area, and/or on any contents therein (except mushroom houses), including food/feed handling establishments, greenhouses, schools, residences, museums, sports facilities, stores, warehouses and hospitals.

2. *Agricultural uses:* Alfalfa, bananas, Bermuda grass, dried beans, celery, red chicory (radicchio), citrus, clover, coffee, cotton, cowpeas, cucumbers, dandelions, kiwi, lespedeza, parsley, parsnips, pastures, peppers, Irish potatoes, sheep, sorghum, spinach, squash (winter and summer), sweet potatoes, rangeland, strawberries, Swiss chard, tobacco, tomatoes, turnips.

Syngenta has also requested that "lawns" be removed from its commercial agricultural products listed in Table 3 below. (EPA Registrations 100-460, 100-461 and 100-784)

After these use cancellations become effective, diazinon technical and manufacturing use products may be formulated into end-use products registered for the following agricultural use sites only: Almonds, apples, apricots, beans (seed treatment only) except soybeans, beets, blackberries, blueberries, boysenberries, broccoli,

cattle (non-lactating; ear tags only), Chinese broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, Chinese cabbage (bok choy and napa), cantaloupes, carrots, Casaba melons, cauliflower, cherries, collards, field corn (seed treatment only), sweet corn (including seed treatment), cranberries, Crenshaw melons, dewberries, endive (escarole), ginseng, grapes, honeydew melons, hops, kale, lettuce, lima beans (seed treatment only), loganberries, melons, muskmelons, mustard greens, Chinese mustard, nectarines, onions, peaches, pears, peas (seed treatment only), Persian melons, pineapples, plums, prunes, radishes, Chinese radishes, raspberries, rutabagas, sugar beets, walnuts, watercress (Hawaii only), and watermelons.

B. Requests for Voluntary Cancellation of Manufacturing-Use Products

Pursuant to FIFRA section 6(f)(1)(A), the registrants have submitted requests for voluntary cancellation of registrations for their manufacturing-use products conditioned upon issuance of replacement registrations which do not allow their use in formulation of end-use products for the deleted uses. The registrations for which cancellations were requested are identified in the following Table 1:

TABLE 1.—MANUFACTURING-USE PRODUCT REGISTRATION CANCELLATION REQUESTS

Company	Reg. No.	Product
Makhteshim Chemical Works, Ltd.	11678-6 11678-20	DIAZOL Technical Stabilized DIAZOL(Diazinon) Stabilized Oil Concentrate
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.	100-524 100-714 100-771 100-783	D●Z●N® DIAZINON MG 87% INSECTICIDE D●Z●N® DIAZINON MG 5% D●Z●N® DIAZINON MG 22.4% WBC D●Z●N® DIAZINON MG 56%

Under section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, registrants may request, at any time, that EPA cancel any of their pesticide registrations. Section 6(f)(1)(B) of FIFRA requires that EPA provide a 30-day period in which the public may comment before the Agency may act on the request for voluntary cancellation. In addition, section 6(f)(1)(C) of FIFRA requires that EPA provide a 180-day comment period on a request for voluntary termination of any minor agricultural use before granting the request, unless (1) the registrants request a waiver of the comment period,

or (2) the Administrator determines that continued use of the pesticide would pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment. In this case, the registrants have requested that EPA waive the 180-day comment period. In light of this request, EPA is granting the request to waive the 180-day comment period and is providing a 30-day public comment period before taking action on the requested cancellations. Because of risk concerns posed by certain uses of diazinon, EPA intends to grant the requested cancellations at the close of

the comment period for this announcement.

C. Requests for Voluntary Cancellation of End-Use Products

In addition to requesting voluntary cancellation of manufacturing-use products, Syngenta has submitted requests for voluntary cancellation of some of its registrations for end-use pesticide products containing diazinon. The end-use registrations for which cancellation was requested are identified in the following Table 2:

TABLE 2.—END-USE PRODUCT REGISTRATION CANCELLATION REQUESTS

Company	Reg. No.	Product
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.	100-445 100-477	D●Z●N® DIAZINON 2D D●Z●N® HOME PEST CONTROL LIQUID

TABLE 2.—END-USE PRODUCT REGISTRATION CANCELLATION REQUESTS—Continued

Company	Reg. No.	Product
	100-478 100-625 100-659 100-685 100-686 100-687	D●Z●N® HOME PEST CONTROL PRESSURIZED LIQUID D●Z●N® HOME PEST CONTROL—XP D●Z●N® 0.5% RTU D●Z●N® 1/2% EW D●Z●N® 1% EW D●Z●N® 5.0 EW

Syngenta has requested that EPA waive the 180-day public comment period under section 6(f)(1)(C)(ii) of FIFRA. In light of this request, EPA is granting the request to waive the 180-day comment period and is providing a 30-day public comment period before taking action on the requested cancellations. Because of risk concerns

posed by certain uses of diazinon, EPA intends to grant the requested cancellations at the close of the comment period for this announcement.

D. Requests for Voluntary Amendments to Delete Uses From the Registrations of End-Use Products

Pursuant to section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, Syngenta and Makhteshim have

also submitted requests to amend their other end-use registrations of pesticide products containing diazinon to delete the aforementioned uses from any product bearing such use. The registrations for which amendments to delete uses were requested are identified in the following Table 3:

TABLE 3.—END-USE PRODUCT REGISTRATION AMENDMENT REQUESTS CANCELLATION REQUESTS

Company	Reg. No.	Product
Makhteshim-Agan of North America, Inc.	66222-10 66222-9	DIAZOL Diazinon 50W DIAZOL Diazinon AG500
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.	100-460 100-461 100-463 100-469 100-784 100-785	D●Z●N® DIAZINON 50W D●Z●N® DIAZINON AG500 D●Z●N® DIAZINON 4E D●Z●N® DIAZINON 14G D●Z●N® DIAZINON AG600 WBC EVICT™ INDOOR/OUTDOOR WBC

Under section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, registrants may request, at any time, that their pesticide registrations be amended to delete one or more pesticide uses. The registrants have requested that EPA waive the 180-day comment period. In light of this request, EPA is granting the request to waive the 180-day comment period and is providing a 30-day public comment period before taking action on the requested amendments to delete uses. Because of risk concerns posed by certain uses of diazinon, EPA intends to grant the requested amendments to delete uses at the close of the comment period for this announcement.

III. Proposed Existing Stocks Provisions

The registrants have requested voluntary cancellation of the diazinon registrations identified in Tables 1 and 2 and submitted amendments to terminate certain uses of the diazinon registrations identified in Table 3. Pursuant to section 6(f) of FIFRA, EPA intends to grant the requests for voluntary cancellation and amendment. For purposes of the cancellation order that the Agency intends to issue at the close of the comment period for this announcement, the term "existing stocks" will be defined, pursuant to EPA's existing stocks policy published

in the **Federal Register** on June 26, 1991 (56 FR 29362) as those stocks of a registered pesticide product which are currently in the United States and which have been packaged, labeled, and released for shipment prior to the effective date of the cancellation or amendment. Any distribution, sale, or use of existing stocks after the effective date of the cancellation order that the Agency intends to issue that is not consistent with the terms of that order will be considered a violation of section 12(a)(2)(K) and /or 12(a)(1)(A) of FIFRA.

A. Manufacturing-Use Products

1. *Distribution or sale.* The distribution or sale of existing stocks of any manufacturing-use product identified in Table 1 will not be lawful under FIFRA as of the February 1, 2001, except for purposes of relabeling (consistent with the terms as outlined in the letter(s) of December 1, 2000), shipping such stocks for export consistent with the requirements of section 17 of FIFRA, or proper disposal.

2. *Use for producing other products.* The use of existing stocks of any manufacturing-use product identified in Table 1 for formulation into any other product labeled for indoor use will not be lawful under FIFRA as of March 1,

2001. The use of existing stocks of any manufacturing-use product identified in Table 1 for formulation into any other product labeled for the agricultural uses listed above will not be lawful under FIFRA as of June 1, 2001.

B. End-Use Products

1. *Distribution, sale or use of products bearing instructions for use on agricultural crops.* The distribution, sale or use of existing stocks by any person of any product listed in Table 2 or 3 that bears instructions for use on the above listed agricultural crops will not be lawful under FIFRA one year after the effective date of the use deletion or cancellation. Any use of such product until that date must be in accordance with the existing labeling of that product.

2. *Distribution, sale or use of products bearing instructions for use on indoor sites.* The distribution or sale of existing stocks by any person of any product listed in Table 2 or 3 that bears instructions for use at or on any indoor sites (except mushroom houses), shall not be lawful under FIFRA after April 1, 2001.

3. *Retail and other distribution or sale.* The retail sale of existing stocks of products listed in Table 2 or 3 bearing

instructions for any indoor uses except mushroom houses will not be lawful under FIFRA after December 31, 2002.

4. *Use of existing stocks.* EPA intends to permit the use of existing stocks of products listed in Table 2 or 3 until such stocks are exhausted, provided such use is in accordance with the existing labeling of that product.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: December 29, 2000.

Linda S. Propst,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PF-988; FRL-6760-8]

Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish a Certain Pesticide Chemical in or on Food

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of a certain pesticide chemical in or on various food commodities.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number PF-988, must be received on or before February 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number PF-988 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Cynthia L. Giles-Parker, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-7740; e-mail address: giles-parker.cynthia@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Industry	111 112 311 32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufacturing

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 the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number PF-988. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any

information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

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