

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7448-4]

Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Air Act Petition for Review**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement agreement; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed Settlement Agreement. On December 18, 2001, the Sierra Club ("Sierra Club") and Group Against Smog and Pollution, Inc. ("GASP") filed a petition in the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit for review of the Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") final action redesignating the Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley Ozone Nonattainment Area (the "Pittsburgh area") to attainment of the one-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard ("NAAQS") for ground-level ozone, and approving the maintenance plan for the Pittsburgh area as a revision to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan (SIP) pursuant to the Act. *Sierra Club v. EPA*, No. 01-4426 (3rd Cir.). On January 22, 2003, the respondents EPA and EPA Administrator Christine T. Whitman and the petitioners Sierra Club and GASP executed the proposed Settlement Agreement. The Settlement Agreement provides for holding the petition for review in abeyance while the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has an opportunity to adopt and EPA has an opportunity to approve revisions to the contingency measures portion of the Pittsburgh area maintenance plan. Adoption and approval of the revisions described in Attachment A to the proposed Settlement Agreement will result in a joint motion to dismiss the petition. The agreement further provides for payment in settlement of claims for costs of litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees and expenses.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed settlement agreement must be received by March 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Kendra Sagoff, Air and Radiation Law Office (2344A), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20004. Copies of the proposed Settlement Agreement are available from Phyllis J. Cochran, (202) 564-5566.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kendra Sagoff at (202) 564-5566.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 19, 2001, EPA published a **Federal Register** notice redesignating the Pittsburgh area to attainment for the one-hour ozone standard, and approving a revision to the area's maintenance plan as a revision to the SIP. 66 FR 53094. On December 18, 2001, Sierra Club and GASP filed a petition for review of this action in the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, contending that the redesignation did not meet statutorily-required prerequisites for redesignation. *Sierra Club v. EPA*, No. 01-4426. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Growth Alliance were granted leave to participate as intervenors. Briefing was stayed pending settlement discussions.

The proposed Settlement Agreement, which was executed on January 22, 2003, provides for a stay of proceedings to allow the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to submit to EPA, not later than May 1, 2003, a revision to the Pennsylvania contingency measures portion of the maintenance plan SIP that adds additional contingency measures and procedures for implementing them. The contingency measures are outlined in Attachment A to the proposed Settlement Agreement. The Agreement further allows EPA an opportunity to sign a final approval of the revision no later than February 1, 2004, to be forwarded within five business days for publication in the **Federal Register**, and to sign a final approval of the final rule in finally adopted form, that is referenced in paragraph 1(b) of Attachment A, no later than November 1, 2004. EPA must also provide status reports at 120-day intervals. (In an order dated January 2, 2003, the Court unilaterally changed the interval to 60-days from the date of the Court's order until the settlement agreement has been finalized and implemented.) Petitioners agree not to challenge in any court or administrative proceeding the validity of any EPA action fully approving these revisions. Within 30 days of November 1, 2004, the parties will file a joint stipulation dismissing the petition in accordance with Rule 42 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure if EPA has published the final rulemakings fully approving the revisions and the stay of the litigation has not been lifted. Finally, EPA agrees to pay, and the Petitioners agree to accept, the sum of \$30,987.00 in full settlement of all

claims by Petitioners for their costs of litigation (including reasonable attorney's fees and expenses).

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed Settlement Agreement from persons who were not named as parties or intervenors to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed Settlement Agreement if the comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act. Unless EPA or the Department of Justice determine, following the comment period, that consent is inappropriate, the Settlement Agreement will be final.

Dated: January 28, 2003.

Lisa K. Friedman,

Associate General Counsel.

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[OPP-2002-0018; FRL-7289-4]

Pesticide Product; Registration Applications**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of applications to register pesticide products containing new active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

DATES: Written comments, identified by the docket ID number OPP-2002-0018, must be received on or before March 10, 2003.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Regulatory Action Leader, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511C), listed in the table in this unit:

Regulatory Action Leader	Office address/telephone no.	E-mail address
Leonard Cole	1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, CM 2; Arlington, VA 22202; 703.305.5412	cole.leonard@epa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. General Information**

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide. Potentially affected 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 this unit could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether this action might apply to certain entities. To determine whether you or your business may be affected by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability provisions in. 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 Copies of This Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP-2002-0018. 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, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., 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/>.

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.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket. EPA’s policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA’s electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA’s electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. EPA intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA’s electronic public docket.

For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA’s policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing

copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EPA’s electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Public comments submitted on computer disks that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be transferred to EPA’s electronic public docket. Public comments that are mailed or delivered to the Docket will be scanned and placed in EPA’s electronic public docket. Where practical, physical objects will be photographed, and the photograph will be placed in EPA’s electronic public docket along with a brief description written by the docket staff.

C. How and To Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket ID number in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked “late.” EPA is not required to consider these late comments. If you wish to submit CBI or information that is otherwise protected by statute, please follow the instructions in Unit I.D. Do not use EPA Dockets or e-mail to submit CBI or information protected by statute.

1. *Electronically.* If you submit an electronic comment as prescribed in this unit, EPA recommends that you include your name, mailing address, and an e-mail address or other contact information in the body of your comment. Also include this contact information on the outside of any disk or CD ROM you submit, and in any cover letter accompanying the disk or CD ROM. This ensures that you can be identified as the submitter of the comment and allows EPA to contact you in case EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment. EPA’s policy is that EPA will not edit your comment, and any identifying or contact information provided in the body of a comment will be included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA’s electronic

public docket. 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.

i. *EPA Dockets.* Your use of EPA's electronic public docket to submit comments to EPA electronically is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select "search," and then key in docket ID number OPP-2002-0018. The system is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail.* Comments may be sent by e-mail to opp-docket@epa.gov, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0018. In contrast to EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system is not an "anonymous access" system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the docket without going through EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by EPA's e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM.* You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in Unit I.C.2. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By mail.* Send your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency (7502C), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20460-0001, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0018.

3. *By hand delivery or courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA., Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0018. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation as identified in Unit I.B.1.

D. How Should I Submit CBI To the Agency?

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically through EPA's electronic public docket or by e-mail. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI on disk or CD ROM, 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 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 docket and EPA's electronic public docket. If you submit the copy that does not contain CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket 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 registration 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 ID 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. Registration Applications

EPA received applications as follows to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any

previously registered products pursuant to the provision of section 3(c)(4) of FIFRA. Notice of receipt of these applications does not imply a decision by the Agency on the applications.

Products Containing Active Ingredients not Included in any Previously Registered Products

File Symbol: 68467-G. Applicant: Dow AgroSciences, 9330 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268-1054. Product Name: Bacillus Thuringiensis Cry 1F(Synpro)/Cry 1Ac(synpro) construct 281/3006 Insectical Crystal Protein As Expressed in Cotton. Proposed Classification/Use: Plant-Incorporated Protectant.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pest.

Dated: January 26, 2003.

Janet L. Andersen,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Emergency Planning and Notification; Hazardous Chemical Reporting; Community Right-to-Know; Request for Comment on Change of Contractor Handling Trade Secret Claims

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a change in location and contractor designated to manage the trade secret claims submitted for reports under Emergency Planning and Notification and Hazardous Chemical Reporting for Community Right-to-Know pursuant to 40 CFR part 350. In compliance with 40 CFR part 350 ("Trade Secrecy Claims for Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Information") facilities providing emergency planning notification and relevant information to the State Emergency Response Commission and Local Emergency Planning Committee under section 303(d)(2) and (d)(3) of EPCRA; facilities submitting Material Safety Data Sheets or lists of those chemicals submitted in place of the MSDSs under section 311 of EPCRA; facilities submitting Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Forms under section 312 of EPCRA may be eligible to claim Trade