ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPPT–2004–0109; FRL–8146–3]

Draft List of Initial Pesticide Active Ingredients and Pesticide Inerts to be Considered for Screening under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; 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 June 18, 2007, concerning the draft list of the first group of chemicals that will be screened in the Agency's Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). The draft list was produced using the approach described in the September 2005 notice, and includes chemicals that the Agency, in its discretion, has decided should be tested first, based upon exposure potential. This document is extending the comment period for 60 days, from September 17, 2007, to November 16, 2007.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2004–0109 must be received on or before November 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions as provided under **ADDRESSES** in the **Federal Register** document of June 18, 2007.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

The Agency included in the June 18, 2007 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. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

When preparing comments follow the procedures and suggestions given in Unit I.B. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the June 18, 2007 **Federal Register** notice.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

To submit comments, or access the public docket, please follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.B.3. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the June 18, 2007 **Federal Register** notice. 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 June 18, 2007 (72 FR 33486) (FRL–8129–3). In that document, EPA announced the draft list of the first group of chemicals that will be screened in the Agency's EDSP. The draft list was developed using the approach described in the **Federal Register** notice of September 27, 2005 (70 FR 56449) (FRL–7716–9). As required by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), all pesticides must eventually be screened under the EDSP, and this first group is simply a starting point. Because EPA developed this draft list of chemicals based upon exposure potential, it should not be construed as a list of known or likely endocrine disruptors, and it would be inappropriate to do so. Following consideration of comments on this draft list of chemicals, EPA will issue a second **Federal Register** notice containing the final list of chemicals. EPA is hereby extending the comment period, which was set to end on September 17, 2007, to November 16, 2007.

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

Section 408(p) of FFDCA requires EPA to ''develop a screening program, using appropriate validated test systems and other scientifically relevant information, to determine whether certain substances may have an effect in humans that is similar to an effect produced by a naturally occurring estrogen, or such other endocrine effect as [EPA] may designate.'' (21 U.S.C. 346a(p)). The statute generally requires EPA to ''provide for the testing of all pesticide chemicals.'' (21 U.S.C. 346a(p)(3)). However, EPA is authorized to exempt a chemical, by order upon a determination that ''the substance is anticipated not to produce any effect in humans similar to an effect produced by a naturally occurring estrogen.'' (21 U.S.C. 346a(p)(4)). ''Pesticide chemical'' is defined as ''any substance that is a pesticide within the meaning of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, including all active and inert ingredients of such pesticide.'' (21 U.S.C. 321(q)(1)).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Endocrine Disruptors, Pesticides

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2004–0292; FRL–8144–4]

Pyraclostrobin; Order Denying Objections to Issuance of Tolerances

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Order.

SUMMARY: The Natural Resource Defense Council (''NRDC'') filed objections with EPA to a final rule under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (''FFDCA''), (21 U.S.C. 346a), establishing tolerances for the pesticide pyraclostrobin on various food commodities. NRDC argues that EPA has unlawfully removed the additional safety factor for the protection of infants and children required by Food Quality Protection Act of 1996. This order denies the objections for the reasons stated herein.

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