pesticide including the petition summary.

New Tolerance

(PP) 5F7009. Bayer CropScience, P.O. Box 12014, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the herbicide AE 0172747 (2-[(2-chloro-4-(methylsulfonyl)-3-[2,2,2trifluoroethoxy)methyl]benzoyl]-1,3cyclohexanedione), and its metabolite AE 1417268 (2-[2-chloro-4-(methylsulfonyl)-3-[(2,2,2trifluoroethoxy)methyl]benzoyl]-4.6dihydroxy-1,3-cyclohexanedione) in or on food commodities field corn, grain at 0.02 parts per million (ppm); field corn, forage and stover at 0.5 ppm; sweet corn (K+CWHR) at 0.03 ppm; sweet corn, forage and stover at 1.0 ppm; popcorn, grain at 0.01 ppm; and popcorn, stover at 0.25 ppm. Tolerances are also proposed for AE 1417268 (2-[2-chloro-4-(methylsulfonyl)-3-[(2,2,2trifluoroethoxy) methyl]benzoyl]-4,6dihydroxy-1,3-cyclohexanedione) in or on food commodities cattle, goat, hog liver; and sheep and horse meat byproducts at 0.5 ppm; and cattle, goat, hog, sheep; and horse kidney at 0.07 ppm.

Independently validated analytical methods suitable for enforcement purposes for plants, plant products, and animal matrices have been submitted for measuring AE 0172747 and all its significant metabolites. Typically, residues are extracted from plant or animal using accelerated solvent extraction. Following concentration, quantitation is by liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry/ mass spectrometry (LC/MS/MS) using deuterated internal standards. Metabolite AE 1392936 requires additional clean-up by anion exchange, solid phase extraction prior to quantitation. AE 1417268 in ruminant samples requires a hexane wash prior to quantitation.

List of Subjects

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

Dated: April 18, 2006.

Lois Rossi,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0190; FRL-8062-5

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition for Establishment of a Regulation for Residues of Metaldehyde in or on Various Food Commodities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of a regulation for residues of the molluscicide metaldehyde in or on various food commodities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 26, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0190 and pesticide petition number (PP) 5F6995, 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 (7502C), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.

• *Hand Delivery*: OPP Regulatory Public Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1801 S. Bell St., 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.

• Important Note: OPP will be moving to a new location the first week of May 2006. As a result, from Friday, April 28 to Friday, May 5, 2006, the OPP Regulatory Public Docket will NOT be accepting any deliveries at the Crystal Mall #2 address and this facility will be closed to the public. Beginning on May 8, 2006, the OPP Regulatory Public Docket will reopen at 8:30 a.m. and deliveries will be accepted in Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Building), 2777 S. Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. The mail code for the mailing address will change to (7502P), but will otherwise remain the same. The Docket telephone number and hours of operation will remain the same after the move.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA–HQ–OPP–2006–0190. 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 regulations.gov or email. The Federal regulations.gov Web site 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 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.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available in the electronic docket at http://www.regulations.gov, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPP Regulatory Public Docket at the location identified under "Delivery' and "Important Note." The hours of operation for this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Kenny, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: 703-305-7546; e-mail address: kenny.dan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

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

Crop production (NAICS code 111).Animal production (NAICS code

112).

• Food manufacturing (NAICS code 311).

• Pesticide manufacturing (NAICS code 32532).

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

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information to EPA through regulations.gov or e-mail. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD ROM that you mail to EPA, 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 claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes 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. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When submitting comments, remember to:

i. Identify the document by docket 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.

iii. Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes. iv. Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/ or data that you used.

v. If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.

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 this pesticide petition received under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, proposing the establishment or amendment of regulations in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities. EPA has determined that this pesticide petition contains 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 petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on this pesticide petition.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 180.7(f), a summary of the petition included in this notice, prepared by the petitioner along with a description of the analytical method available for the detection and measurement of the pesticide chemical 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

(PP) 5F6995. Lonza, Inc., 90 Boroline Road, Annandale, NJ 07401, proposes to establish a tolerance for residues of the molluscicide metaldehyde in or on food commodities broccoli, cabbage, mustard (greens) (representing the Brassica (Cole) Crop Group) at 2.5 parts per million (ppm); lemon, grapefruit, and oranges (representing the Citrus Crop Group) at 0.26 ppm; tomato at 0.24 ppm; lettuce at 1.73 ppm; strawberries at 6.25 ppm; and the processed food commodities citrus, oil and dry pulp at 0.26 ppm; and tomato, paste and puree at 0.24 ppm. The analytical method for the determination of the residues of metaldehyde in various food crops was validated with respect to specificity and non-analyte interference, precision (repeatability), accuracy, sensitivity, linearity, of standards, stability of standard solutions and precision (replicate injections) under EN-CAS Analytical Laboratories Study No. 99-0055 (MRID 46010501). The method of detection (GS/MSD) ensured the specificity of the method.

List of Subjects

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

Dated: April 17, 2006.

Donald R. Stubbs,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0144; FRL-8066-3]

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition for an Exemption from the Requirement of Regulations for Residues of Poly(2–Ethylhexyl Acrylate/2–Hydroxyethyl Acrylate/N-(Hydroxymethyl)–2–Methylacrylamide/ Methacrylic Acid/Methyl Methacrylate/ Styrene), Ammonium Salt in or on All Food Commodities When Used as an Inert Ingredient in Pesticide Products

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of an exemption from the requirement of regulations for residues of poly (2– ethylhexyl acrylate/2–hydroxyethyl acrylate/N-(hydroxymethyl)–2– methylacrylamide/ methacrylic acid/ methyl methacrylate/styrene), ammonium salt in or on all food commodities when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide products. **DATES:** Comments must be received on

or before May 26, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0144, and pesticide petition number number (PP) 6E7037, by one of the following methods: