

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 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.
- 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. Background

The 524-EUP-OT application is for 4,897 acres of MON 89034, 1,727 acres of MON 89034 x MON 88017, 1,661 acres of MON 88017, and 992 non-plant-incorporated protectant border acres. MON 89034 contains the lepidopteran protecting *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry1A.105 protein and the genetic material necessary (vector PV-ZMIR245) for its production in MON 89034 corn

and *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry2Ab2 protein and the genetic material necessary (vector PV-ZMIR245) for its production in MON 89034 corn. MON 88017 contains the corn rootworm protecting *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry3Bb1 protein and the genetic material necessary (vector PV-ZMIR39) for its production in MON 88017 corn. Proposed shipment/use dates are July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008. Five trial protocols will be conducted, including:

- Breeding and observation nursery.
- Inbred seed increase production.
- Line *per se* hybrid yield and herbicide tolerance trials.
- Insect efficacy trials.
- Product characterization and performance trials.
- Insect resistance management trials, benefit trials, and seed treatment trials.

States and Commonwealth involved include: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin.

## III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Following the review of the Monsanto Company application and any comments and data received in response to this notice, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny the EUP request for this EUP program, and if issued, the conditions under which it is to be conducted. Any issuance of an EUP will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

## IV. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

The Agency's authority for taking this action is under FIFRA section 5.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Experimental use permits.

Dated: May 18, 2006.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket Nos. EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0457; EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0458; FRL-8174-6]

### P & W Electric Superfund Site; Yorkville, Gibson County, TN; Notice of Settlement

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlements.

**SUMMARY:** Under section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the United States Environmental Protection Agency has entered into two proposed settlements for the reimbursement of past response costs concerning the P & W Superfund Site located in Yorkville, Gibson County, Tennessee.

**DATES:** The Agency will consider public comments on the settlements until June 26, 2006. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlements if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlements are inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the settlements are available from Ms. Paula V. Batchelor. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0457 and ID No. EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0458 or Site name P & W Electric Superfund Site by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: [Batchelor.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Batchelor.Paula@epa.gov).
- Fax: 404/562-8842/Attn Paula V. Batchelor.

Mail: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, U.S. EPA Region 4, WMD-SEIMB, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303. In addition, please mail a copy of your comments on the information collection provisions to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attn: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0457 and EPA-R04-SFUND-2006-0458. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online 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 <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.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 <http://www.regulations.gov> your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public 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. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

*Docket:* All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> 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, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the U.S. EPA Region 4 office located at 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Regional office is open from 7 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Batchelor within 30 calendar days of the date of this publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paula V. Batchelor at 404/562-8887.

Dated: May 10, 2006.

**Greg Armstrong,**

*Acting Chief, Superfund Enforcement & Information Management Branch, Waste Management Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8174-7]

### Final Reissuance of General NPDES Permit (GP) for Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf and Contiguous State Waters (NPDES Permit Number AKG-28-0000)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Final Notice of reissuance of the general NPDES permit.

**SUMMARY:** On April 5, 2004, EPA proposed to reissue the general permit (GP) for offshore oil and gas exploration facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) areas designated as the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas and contiguous State waters, pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Act (CWA) 33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.* There was a 45 day comment period during which written comments on the draft permit were submitted to EPA. On June 24, 2005, EPA extended the area of coverage to include the Hope Basin and Norton Sound Planning Areas including contiguous State waters that are within the Minerals Management Services current 5-year oil and gas leasing program and proposed to reissue the GP. There was an additional 30 day comment period. During the two comment periods, EPA received six comment letters on the GP. A Response to Comments was prepared by EPA along with the final GP.

**DATES:** The general permit will be effective June 26, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the GP and Response to Comments are available upon request. Written requests may be submitted to EPA, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue OWW-130, Seattle, WA 98101. Electronic requests may be mailed to: [washington.audrey@epa.gov](mailto:washington.audrey@epa.gov) or [vidanage.sonia@epa.gov](mailto:vidanage.sonia@epa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The GP, Fact Sheet and Response to Comments may be found on the Region 10 Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/waterpermits.htm> under the General Permits section. Requests by phone may be made to Audrey Washington at (206) 553-0523 or to Sonia Vidanage at (206) 553-1019.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Executive Order 12866:* The Office of Management and Budget exempted this action from the review requirements of Executive Order 12866 pursuant to section 6 of that order.

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), has certified that the subject dischargers

comply with the applicable provisions of section 208(e), 301, 302, 306 and 307 of the Clean Water Act, and that the general permit is in compliance with the Standards of the Alaska Coastal Management Program.

*Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA):* Under the RFA, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, a Federal agency must prepare an initial regulatory flexibility analysis "for any proposed rule" for which the agency "is required by section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), or any other law, to publish general notice of proposed rule making. The RFA exempts from this requirement any rule that the issuing agency certifies "will not, if promulgated, have a significant economic impact of a substantial number of small entities." EPA has concluded that NPDES general permits are permits, not rulemakings, under the APA and thus not subject to APA rulemaking requirements or RFA.

Dated: May 16, 2006.

**Michael F. Gearheard,**

*Director, Office of Water & Watersheds, Region 10.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection Renewals; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The FDIC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). Currently, the FDIC is soliciting comments concerning the following continuing collections of information titled:

1. Application Pursuant to Section 19 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (3064-0018);
2. Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) (3064-0046);
3. Public Disclosure by Banks (3064-0090);
4. Notice Required of Government Securities Dealers or Brokers (Insured State Nonmember Banks) (3064-0093);
5. Procedures for Monitoring Bank Protection Act Compliance (3064-0095);
6. Activities and Investments of Insured State Banks (3064-0111);