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4. Project No. 2237-013.	6-14-06	Joseph Mayson.
5. Project Nos. 12597-002, 12598-002 and 12599-002.	6-14-06	Laura Dean. <sup>1</sup>
6. Project Nos. 12597-002, 12598-002 and 12599-002.	6-14-06	Stan Wilmoth.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8189-8]

### Notice of Charter Renewal

*Agency:* Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Notice is hereby given that the Charter for the Environmental Protection Agency's National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT) will be renewed for an additional two-year period. This committee has been determined to be in the public interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2 § 9(c). The purpose of NACEPT is to provide advice and recommendations to the Administrator of EPA on a broad range of environmental policy, technology and management issues. Inquiries may be directed to Sonia Altieri, U.S. EPA, (Mail Code 1601-E), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, telephone (202) 233-0061, or [altieri.sonia@epa.gov](mailto:altieri.sonia@epa.gov).

<sup>1</sup> One of two e-mails from Laura Dean, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

Dated: June 20, 2006.

**Rafael DeLeon,**

*Director, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0371; FRL-8073-1]

### Ethephon; Tolerance Reassessment Decision for Low Risk Pesticide; Notice of Availability

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of EPA's Tolerance Reassessment Decision (TRED) for the pesticide ethephon, and opens a public comment period on this document, related risk assessments, and other support documents. EPA has reviewed this pesticide ethephon through a modified, streamlined version of the public participation process that the Agency uses to involve the public in developing pesticide tolerance reassessment and reregistration decisions. Through the tolerance reassessment program, EPA is ensuring that all pesticides meet current health and food safety standards.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before August 28, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0371, 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 (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- *Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Building), 2777 S. Crystal Drive, 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.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0371. 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 [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or e-mail. The Federal [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website 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 [www.regulations.gov](http://www.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.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wilhelmina Livingston, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8025 fax number: (703) 308-8005; e-mail address: [livingston.wilhelmina@epa.gov](mailto:livingston.wilhelmina@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. General Information***A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may 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. 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***A. What Action is the Agency Taking?*

EPA has reassessed the uses of ethephon, reassessed 45 existing tolerances or legal residue limits, and on June 15, 2006, reached a tolerance reassessment decision for this pesticide. Ethephon (an organophosphonate) is a plant growth regulator. It regulates phases of plant growth and development by application at various growth stages and sites. Ethephon is used to promote fruit ripening, abscission, flower induction, breaking of apical dominance (inhibition of the growth of lateral buds by the terminal bud of a shoot), and other plant responses. Ethephon is registered on a number of terrestrial food, feed, and nonfood crops, greenhouse nonfood crops, and outdoor plants.

The Agency is now issuing for comment the resulting Report on Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Tolerance Reassessment and Risk Management Decision for ethephon, known as a TRED, as well as related risk assessments and technical support documents.

EPA developed the ethephon TRED through a modified, streamlined version of its public process for making tolerance reassessment and reregistration eligibility decisions. Through these programs, the Agency is ensuring that pesticides meet current standards under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) and the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended by FQPA. EPA must review tolerances and tolerance exemptions that were in effect when the FQPA was enacted, to ensure that these existing pesticide residue limits for food and feed commodities meet the safety standard established by the new law. Tolerances are considered reassessed once the safety finding has been made or a revocation occurs. EPA has reviewed and made the requisite safety finding for the ethephon tolerances included in this notice.

EPA is applying the principles of public participation to all pesticides undergoing reregistration and tolerance reassessment. The Agency's Pesticide Tolerance Reassessment and Reregistration; Public Participation Process, published in the **Federal Register** of May 14, 2004 (69 FR 26819)

(FRL-7357-9) explains that in conducting these programs, the Agency is tailoring its public participation process to be commensurate with the level of risk, extent of use, complexity of issues, and degree of public concern associated with each pesticide. EPA can expeditiously reach decisions for pesticides like ethephon, which pose no risk concerns and require no risk mitigation. Once EPA assesses uses and risks for such pesticides, the Agency may go directly to a decision and prepare a document summarizing its findings, such as the ethephon TRED.

The tolerance reassessment program is being conducted under Congressionally mandated time frames, and EPA recognizes the need both to make timely decisions and to involve the public in finding ways to effectively mitigate pesticide risks. Ethephon, however, poses no risks that require mitigation. The Agency therefore is issuing the ethephon TRED, its risk assessments, and related support documents simultaneously for public comment. The comment period is intended to provide an opportunity for public input and a mechanism for initiating any necessary amendments to the TRED. All comments should be submitted using the methods in **ADDRESSES**, and must be received by EPA on or before the closing date. These comments will become part of the Agency Docket for ethephon. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." EPA is not required to consider these late comments.

EPA will carefully consider all comments received by the closing date. If any comment significantly affects the document, EPA also will publish an amendment to the TRED in the **Federal Register**. In the absence of substantive comments requiring changes, the decisions reflected in the TRED will be implemented as presented.

*B. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?*

Section 408(q) of the FFDCA, 21 U.S.C. 346a(q), requires EPA to review tolerances and exemptions for pesticide residues in effect as of August 2, 1996, to determine whether the tolerance or exemption meets the requirements of section 408(b)(2) or (c)(2) of FFDCA. This review is to be completed by August 3, 2006.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: June 20, 2006.

**Debra Edwards,**

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0084; FRL-8073-6]

### Notice of Receipt of Requests to Voluntarily Cancel Certain Pesticide Registrations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of request by registrants to voluntarily cancel certain pesticide registrations and providing a public comment period.

**DATES:** Unless a request is withdrawn by December 26, 2006 or July 28, 2006 for registrations for which the registrant requested a waiver of the 180-day comment period, orders will be issued canceling these registrations. The Agency will consider withdrawal requests postmarked no later than December 26, 2006 or July 28, 2006, whichever is applicable. Comments must be received on or before December 26, 2006 or July 28, 2006, for those registrations where the 180-day comment period has been waived.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments and your withdrawal request, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0084, 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 (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001. Written withdrawal requests should be to the Attention of: John Jamula, Information Technology and Resources Management Division (7502P), at the address under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

- *Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Building), 2777 S. Crystal Drive, 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,

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Jamula, Information Technology and Resources Management Division (7502P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-6426; e-mail address: [jamula.john@epa.gov](mailto:jamula.john@epa.gov).

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##### I. General Information

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