

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 [www.regulations.gov](http://www.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.

3. *Environmental justice.* EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other

factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticide discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

## II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136p), at the discretion of the Administrator, a Federal or State agency may be exempted from any provision of FIFRA if the Administrator determines that emergency conditions exist which require the exemption. The Ohio Department of Agriculture (DOA) has requested the Administrator to issue a public health exemption for the use of propoxur on indoor residential single or multiple unit dwellings, apartments, hotels, motels, office buildings, modes of transportation, and commercial industrial buildings to control bed bugs. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

As part of this request, the applicant asserts that an emergency exemption is warranted because of the prevalence of control failures with other existing labeled insecticides, in part due to pyrethroid resistance in the bed bug population. Bed bugs are parasitic, blood-sucking insects that prefer humans as a host and tend to inhabit human dwellings. For several decades, pyrethroids have been used to manage the bed bug population in the United States. Since the late 1990s, bed bugs have begun making a comeback, largely due to their development of extremely high levels of resistance to pyrethroid insecticides. Thus, these parasitic insects have been growing rapidly and have re-emerged as a major pest in many towns and cities in Ohio. The ODA states that currently available insecticides are inadequate for the control of bed bugs and resulted in a crisis that poses grave economic concerns, quality of life issues, and potential health risks to the residents of the state. The ODA claims propoxur is one of the few insecticidal ingredients showing excellent activity against bed bugs and would provide an effective insecticide in a different chemical class for bed bug control.

The Applicant proposes to make applications year-round with a 14-day retreatment restriction. Three propoxur products will be used (all containing 1% propoxur):

- Prenbay 1% Oil Solution (EPA Reg. No. 655-546) manufactured by Prentiss Inc.

- Invader HPX (EPA Reg. No. 9444-186) manufactured by FMC Corp.
- Prescription Treatment Brand 250 Propoxur (EPA Reg. No. 499-501) manufactured by Whitmire Micro-gen Research Lab. Inc.

These products would be applied as a crack and crevice or spot treatment to indoor residential single or multiple unit dwellings, apartments, hotels, motels, office buildings, modes of transportation, and commercial industrial buildings. Application of the products would be applied in quantities sufficient to manage the bed bug infestation in Ohio.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 of FIFRA require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a public health exemption proposing a use of a pesticide which was voluntarily canceled under section 6(f) of FIFRA, and which poses a risk similar to the risk which was voluntarily canceled under section 6(f) of FIFRA.

The notice provides an opportunity for public comment on the application.

The Agency will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the public health exemption requested by the ODA.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: December 24, 2009.

**Lois Rossi,**

*Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0879; FRL-8806-4]

### Exposure Modeling Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Cancellation and Rescheduling of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the Exposure Modeling Public Meeting (EMPM), scheduled for January 26, 2010, has been cancelled and that the next EMPM will be held in July 2010.

**DATES:** The next EMPM meeting will be held in July 2010. The specific date of the next meeting will be announced in a February 2010 issue of the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at EPA's, Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 1st Floor South Conference Room, 2777 S. Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chuck Peck, Environmental Fate and Effects Division (7507P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 347-8064; fax number: (703) 305-6309; e-mail address: [peck.charles@epa.gov](mailto:peck.charles@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 required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also 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. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?*

EPA has established a docket for this action under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0879. As the meeting has been indefinitely postponed, no materials will be posted on the docket. Publicly available docket materials for future EMPM conferences are available either in the electronic docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or, if only available in hard copy, at the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket in Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. The hours of operation of this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

**II. Background**

The purpose of the Exposure Modeling Public Meetings is to share new information among stakeholders through presentations on current issues in modeling pesticide fate, transport, and exposure in support of pesticide exposure assessment in a regulatory context. The meetings began in 2002,

with typically 5 to 10 presentations made at each meeting on topics such as assessing risks to non-target terrestrial invertebrates, drinking water well contamination, plans for national monitoring of streams and ground water, and examination of non-agricultural pesticide use by means of GIS coverages. Meeting dates and abstract requests are announced in advance through the "empmlist" forum on the LYRIS list server at [https://lists.epa.gov/read/all\\_forums/](https://lists.epa.gov/read/all_forums/) as well as through notice in the **Federal Register**. At the October 2009 meeting, EPA proposed to modify the frequency of the meetings from three to two meetings per year, to ensure a full agenda and the most productive use of the meeting time. Because of the timing of the January 2010 meeting and proposed presentations, EPA is cancelling that meeting and will hold the next EMPM in July 2010. The specific date of the next meeting will be announced in a February 2010 issue of the **Federal Register**.

**III. How Can I Request to Participate in this Meeting?**

You may submit a request to participate in future meetings to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Do not submit any information in your request that is considered CBI. Requests to participate in future meetings must be received on or before January 21, 2010.

**IV. Tentative Topics for the Meeting**

Presentations submitted for the January 2010 EMPM will be tentatively scheduled for the July 2010 EMPM, provided the presenters are available.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pest.

Dated: December 23, 2009.

**D. J. Brady,**

*Director, Environmental Fate and Effects Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0777; FRL-8806-3]

**Maneb; Notice of Receipt of a Request to Voluntarily Cancel a Pesticide Registration of a Certain Product**

**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 a request by the registrant to voluntarily cancel their registration of a product containing the pesticide maneb. The request would terminate the last maneb technical product registered for use in the United States. EPA intends to grant this request at the close of the comment period for this announcement unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of the request, or unless the registrant withdraws their request within this period. Upon acceptance of this request, any sale, distribution, or use of the product listed in this notice will be permitted only if the sale, distribution, or use is consistent with the terms as described in the final order.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 5, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0777, 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 Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket Facility'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 Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0777. 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 [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website is an "anonymous access" system, which