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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this action apply to me?*

This action is directed to the public in general. Although this action may be of particular interest to those persons who conduct or sponsor research on pesticides, EPA has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

*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](http://regulations.gov) or email. 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 preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html>.

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, EPA 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 5 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), 7 U.S.C. 136c, EPA can allow manufacturers to field test pesticides under development. Manufacturers are required to obtain an EUP before testing new pesticides or new uses of pesticides if they conduct experimental field tests on more than 10 acres of land or more than one surface acre of water.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 172.11(a), EPA has determined that the following EUP application may be of regional or national significance, and therefore is seeking public comment on the EUP application:

*Submitter:* MosquitoMate, Inc.

*Pesticide chemical:* *Wolbachia pipientis*, strain wAlbB.

*Summary of request:* MosquitoMate, Inc. (MosquitoMate) has proposed to continue to field test a new strain of *Wolbachia pipientis* (wAlbB) to determine its efficacy to affect local populations of the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito. Under the previously approved EUP that expired on December 31, 2018, MosquitoMate was authorized to release and monitor up to 681,600,000 male *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, that carry the pesticidal active ingredient *Wolbachia pipientis*, strain wAlbB (0.168 ounces/year), at specific sites in California, Florida, and Texas over a 2-year period. The combined acreage for that EUP was 8,830 for 2017 and 2018, respectively.

MosquitoMate has requested to amend and extend the preceding EUP for this pesticidal active ingredient for testing in California and Texas, and to add test sites in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Specifically, the applicant is requesting a total of 65,100 acres for the 2 year testing period in the following states and territories: California 36,000 acres (for 2019, no releases in 2020), Texas (300 acres in 2019 and 800 acres in 2020), Puerto Rico (1,000 acres in 2019 and 6,000 acres in 2020), U.S. Virgin Islands (1,000 acres in 2019 and 20,000 acres in 2020). A combined total of 0.221 oz (0.061 oz in 2019 and 0.16 oz in 2020) of the pesticide active ingredient *Wolbachia pipientis*, strain wAlbB, contained in 447,300,000 male *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, strain WB1, are proposed to be released over the course of the EUP. This end-use product is not proposed for food use and the EPA has not been petitioned to establish a tolerance under Section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*

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

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*

Dated: April 17, 2019.

**Robert McNally,**

*Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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**FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION**

**Controlled Carriers Under the Shipping Act of 1984**

**AGENCY:** Federal Maritime Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Maritime Commission is publishing an updated list of controlled carriers, *i.e.*, ocean common carriers operating in U.S.-foreign trades that are owned or controlled by foreign governments. Such carriers are subject to special regulatory oversight by the Commission under the Shipping Act of 1984.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tyler J. Wood, General Counsel, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street NW, Washington, DC 20573, (202) 523-5740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Maritime Commission is publishing an updated list of controlled carriers. Section 3(8) of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. 40102(8)), defines a "controlled carrier" as an ocean common carrier that is directly or indirectly owned or controlled by a government. Ownership or control by a government is deemed to exist for a carrier if (1) a majority of the interest in the carrier is owned or controlled in any manner by that government, an agency of that government, or a public or private person controlled by that government, or (2) that government has the right to appoint or disapprove the appointment of a majority of the directors, the chief operating officer, or the chief executive officer of the carrier.

As required by the Shipping Act, controlled carriers are subject to special oversight by the Commission. Section 9(a) of the Shipping Act (46 U.S.C. 40701(b)), provides that the Commission may, after providing notice and opportunity for a hearing, prohibit the publication or use of a rate, charge,

classification, rule, or regulation that a controlled carrier has failed to demonstrate is just and reasonable. Congress enacted these protections to ensure that controlled carriers, whose marketplace decision-making can be influenced by foreign governmental priorities or by their access to non-market sources of capital, do not engage in unreasonable below-market pricing practices which could disrupt trade or harm privately-owned shipping companies.

The controlled carrier list is not a comprehensive list of foreign-owned or -controlled ships or ship owners; rather, it is only a list of ocean common carriers that are controlled by governments. See 46 U.S.C. 40102(8). Thus, tramp operators and other non-common carriers are not included, nor are non-vessel-operating common carriers, regardless of their ownership or control.

Since the last publication of this list on August 2, 2017 (82 FR 35946), the Commission has newly classified the following ocean common carriers as controlled carriers: Orient Overseas Container Line Limited (OOCL) and OOCL (Europe) Limited. Pursuant to 46 CFR 501.23, the Commission's General Counsel classified OOCL and OOCL (Europe) as controlled carriers on August 16, 2018, after their parent company was acquired by COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co., Ltd.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, COSCO Shipping Lines (Europe) GmbH, which was removed from the controlled carriers list in 2017 after canceling all tariffs, resumed service in April 2018 and is again added to this list. COSCO Shipping Lines (Europe) GmbH was originally classified as a controlled carrier on November 9, 2015. See *Petition of COSCO Container Lines Europe GmbH for an Exemption*, Petition No. P3-15, slip op. (FMC Nov. 9, 2015).

The Commission is removing CNAN Nord SPA from the list as it is no longer providing common carriage in the United States trades and is therefore no longer a controlled carrier. There are no changes to report with respect to COSCO Shipping Lines Co., Ltd.

It is requested that any other information regarding possible omissions or inaccuracies in this list be provided to the Commission's Office of the General Counsel. See 46 CFR 501.23. The amended list of currently classified controlled carriers and their corresponding Commission-issued

Registered Persons Index numbers is set forth below:

(1) COSCO SHIPPING Lines Co., Ltd. (RPI No. 015614)—People's Republic of China;

(2) Orient Overseas Container Line Limited (RPI No. 011398)—People's Republic of China;

(3) OOCL (Europe) Limited (RPI No. 024786)—People's Republic of China;

(4) COSCO Shipping Lines (Europe) GmbH (RPI No. 025509)—People's Republic of China.

By the Commission.

**Rachel Dickon,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) invites comment on a proposal to extend for three years, with revision, the Notice Claiming Status as an Exempt Transfer Agent (FR 4013; OMB No. 7100-0137).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by FR 4013, by any of the following methods:

- **Agency website:** <http://www.federalreserve.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/apps/foia/proposedregs.aspx>.

- **Email:** [regs.comments@federalreserve.gov](mailto:regs.comments@federalreserve.gov). Include the Office and Management and Budget (OMB) number in the subject line of the message.

- **Fax:** (202) 452-3819 or (202) 452-3102.

- **Mail:** Ann E. Misback, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551.

All public comments are available on the Board's website at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/apps/foia/proposedregs.aspx> as submitted, unless modified for technical reasons.

Accordingly, your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information. Public comments may also be viewed electronically or in paper in Room 146, 1709 New York

Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20006, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. For security reasons, the Board requires that visitors make an appointment to inspect comments. You may do so by calling (202) 452-3684. Upon arrival, visitors will be required to present valid government-issued photo identification and to submit to security screening in order to inspect and photocopy comments.

Additionally, commenters may send a copy of their comments to the OMB Desk Officer—Shagufta Ahmed—Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, or by fax to (202) 395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A copy of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) OMB submission, including the proposed reporting form and instructions, supporting statement, and other documentation will be placed into OMB's public docket files, if approved. These documents will also be made available on the Board's public website at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/apps/reportforms/review.aspx> or may be requested from the agency clearance officer, whose name appears below.

Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer—Nuha Elmagrabi—Office of the Chief Data Officer, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551, (202) 452-3829. Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact (202) 263-4869, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC, 20551.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 15, 1984, OMB delegated to the Board authority under the PRA to approve and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board. In exercising this delegated authority, the Board is directed to take every reasonable step to solicit comment. In determining whether to approve a collection of information, the Board will consider all comments received from the public and other agencies.

### Request for Comment on Information Collection Proposal

The Board invites public comment on the following information collection, which is being reviewed under authority delegated by the OMB under the PRA. Comments are invited on the following:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Board's functions,

<sup>1</sup> More information on this transaction can be found in *Petition of Cosco Shipping Lines Co., Ltd. (COSCO), Orient Overseas Container Line Limited (OOCL), and OOCL (Europe) Limited for an Exemption from Agreement Filing*, Pet. No. P2-17 (Nov. 8, 2017).