

I. 10 PREMANUFACTURE NOTICES RECEIVED FROM: 01/29/03 TO 02/03/03—Continued

| Case No. | Received Date | Projected Notice End Date | Manufacturer/Importer | Use | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| P-03-0315 | 02/03/03 | 05/04/03 | CBI | (G) Oil-field chemical | (G) Substituted polymethacrylic esters, hydrolyzed, sodium salt |
| P-03-0316 | 02/03/03 | 05/04/03 | CBI | (G) Oil-field chemical | (G) Substituted methacrylic esters, polymer with methacrylic acid, sodium salt |
| P-03-0317 | 02/03/03 | 05/04/03 | International Specialty Products | (S) Component of coatings for digital printing paper | (S) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 2-hydroxyethyl ester, polymer with n-[3-dimethylamino)propyl]- 2-methyl-2-propenamide |

In Table II of this unit, EPA provides the following information (to the extent that such information is not claimed as

CBI) on the Notices of Commencement to manufacture received:

II. 10 NOTICES OF COMMENCEMENT FROM: 01/29/03 TO 02/03/03

| Case No. | Received Date | Commencement/Import Date | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|--------------------------|---|
| P-01-0196 | 01/30/03 | 01/20/03 | (G) Hydrocarbon resin |
| P-01-0302 | 01/29/03 | 01/16/03 | (G) Polyureapolyurethane polyol |
| P-01-0461 | 01/29/03 | 01/10/03 | (G) Carbobicycle alcohol |
| P-01-0656 | 01/31/03 | 01/26/03 | (G) Polyurethane based thickening agent |
| P-02-0386 | 01/29/03 | 01/24/03 | (G) Acrylic polymer |
| P-02-0854 | 02/03/03 | 01/31/03 | (G) Poly (phosphate and carboxylate) ester |
| P-02-0877 | 02/03/03 | 01/20/03 | (G) Substituted pyridone |
| P-02-0940 | 01/30/03 | 01/20/03 | (G) Fatty acids, C ₁₈ -unsaturated, dimers, hydrogenated, polymers with ethylenediamine and polyoxyalkyleneamines. |
| P-02-0955 | 01/29/03 | 12/30/02 | (G) Barium alcoholate |
| P-02-1090 | 01/29/03 | 01/21/03 | (G) Glycol ether sulfuric acid ester, ammonium salt |

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Premanufacturer notices.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 5 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory) to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions pertaining to the manufacture of new

chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to publish a notice of receipt of a premanufacture notice (PMN) or an application for a test marketing exemption (TME), and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from January 11, 2003 to January 28, 2003, consists of the PMNs, pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period.

DATES: Comments identified by the docket ID number OPPT-2003-0007 and the specific PMN number or TME number, must be received on or before March 26, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division,

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7408M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

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

This action is directed to the public in general. As such, the Agency has not attempted to describe the specific entities that this action may apply to. Although others may be affected, this action applies directly to the submitter of the premanufacture notices addressed in the 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?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2003-0007. The official public

docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket, which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the “**Federal Register**” listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA’s electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select “search,” then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket. EPA’s policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA’s electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA’s electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. EPA

intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA’s electronic public docket.

For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA’s policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EPA’s electronic public docket as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EPA’s electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Public comments submitted on computer disks that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be transferred to EPA’s electronic public docket. Public comments that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be scanned and placed in EPA’s electronic public docket. Where practical, physical objects will be photographed, and the photograph will be placed in EPA’s electronic public docket along with a brief description written by the docket staff.

C. How and To Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket ID number and specific PMN number or TME number in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked “late.” EPA is not required to consider these late comments. If you wish to submit CBI or information that is otherwise protected by statute, please follow the instructions in Unit I.D. Do not use EPA Dockets or e-mail to submit CBI or information protected by statute.

1. *Electronically.* If you submit an electronic comment as prescribed in this unit, EPA recommends that you include your name, mailing address, and an e-mail address or other contact information in the body of your comment. Also include this contact information on the outside of any disk or CD ROM you submit, and in any cover letter accompanying the disk or CD ROM. This ensures that you can be identified as the submitter of the

comment and allows EPA to contact you in case EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment. EPA’s policy is that EPA will not edit your comment, and any identifying or contact information provided in the body of a comment will be included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA’s electronic public docket. 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.

i. *EPA Dockets.* Your use of EPA’s electronic public docket to submit comments to EPA electronically is EPA’s preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select “search,” and then key in docket ID number OPPT-2003-0007. The system is an “anonymous access” system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail.* Comments may be sent by e-mail to oppt.ncic@epa.gov, Attention: Docket ID Number OPPT-2003-0007 and PMN Number or TME Number. In contrast to EPA’s electronic public docket, EPA’s e-mail system is not an “anonymous access” system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the docket without going through EPA’s electronic public docket, EPA’s e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by EPA’s e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA’s electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM.* You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in Unit I.C.2. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By mail.* Send your comments to: Document Control Office (7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.

3. *By hand delivery or courier.* Deliver your comments to: OPPT Document Control Office (DCO) in EPA East Building Rm. 6428, 1201 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. Attention: Docket ID Number OPPT-2003-0007

and PMN Number or TME Number. The DCO is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the DCO is (202) 564-8930.

D. How Should I Submit CBI To the Agency?

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically through EPA's electronic public docket or by e-mail. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI on disk or CD ROM, 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 CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any 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 and EPA's electronic public docket. If you submit the copy that does not contain CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the technical person

listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

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

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice or collection activity.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action and the specific PMN number you are commenting on in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Why is EPA Taking this Action?

Section 5 of TSCA requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions

pertaining to the manufacture of new chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to publish a notice of receipt of a PMN or an application for a TME and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from January 11, 2003 to January 28, 2003, consists of the PMNs pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period.

III. Receipt and Status Report for PMNs

This status report identifies the PMNs, both pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period. If you are interested in information that is not included in the following tables, you may contact EPA as described in Unit II. to access additional non-CBI information that may be available.

In Table I of this unit, EPA provides the following information (to the extent that such information is not claimed as CBI) on the PMNs received by EPA during this period: the EPA case number assigned to the PMN; the date the PMN was received by EPA; the projected end date for EPA's review of the PMN; the submitting manufacturer; the potential uses identified by the manufacturer in the PMN; and the chemical identity.

I. 48 PREMANUFACTURE NOTICES RECEIVED FROM: 01/11/03 TO 01/28/03

| Case No. | Received Date | Projected Notice End Date | Manufacturer/Importer | Use | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| P-03-0261 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Resin coating | (G) Acrylated urethane |
| P-03-0262 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Adhesive component | (G) Polymeric mdi polyester prepolymer |
| P-03-0263 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Industrial coating binder component | (G) Urethane acrylate polymer |
| P-03-0264 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (S) Epoxy crosslinking agent for industrial coating applications over metal and concrete substrates. | (G) Polymer of diethylenetriamine with polyepoxy functional polymers |
| P-03-0265 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (S) Epoxy crosslinking agent for industrial coating applications over metal and concrete substrates. | (G) Polymer of diethylenetriamine with polyepoxy functional polymers |
| P-03-0266 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |
| P-03-0267 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |
| P-03-0268 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |
| P-03-0269 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |

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| Case No. | Received Date | Projected Notice End Date | Manufacturer/Importer | Use | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|
| P-03-0270 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |
| P-03-0271 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | CBI | (G) Component of a coating with an open use | (G) Rhodamine b ester with polymers of epichlorohydrin, phenol, formaldehyde novolac |
| P-03-0272 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (G) Destructive use. | (G) Olefins |
| P-03-0273 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (G) Open non-dispersive use. | (G) Acrylic polymer |
| P-03-0274 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (G) Open non-dispersive use. | (G) Polyester |
| P-03-0275 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (G) Concrete additive | (G) Substituted hydroxyethylcellulose ethers |
| P-03-0276 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (S) Intermediates for polyurethane for artificial/synthetic leathers; intermediates for polyurethane for paint, adhesive, coating materials, etc.; tpu(thermoplastic elastomer urethane) intermediate | (G) Polyalkylenecarbonate diol |
| P-03-0277 | 01/14/03 | 04/14/03 | CBI | (S) Intermediates for polyurethane for artificial/synthetic leathers; intermediates for polyurethane for paint, adhesives, coating materials, etc.; tpu (thermoplastic elastomer urethane) intermediate | (G) Polyalkylenecarbonate diol |
| P-03-0278 | 01/15/03 | 04/15/03 | Southern Diversified Products, LLC | (S) Monomer for polymer manufacture | (S) Linseed oil, maleated, 2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]ethyl ester |
| P-03-0279 | 01/15/03 | 04/15/03 | Southern Diversified Products, LLC | (S) Monomer for polymer manufacture | (S) Soybean oil, maleated, 2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]ethyl ester |
| P-03-0280 | 01/13/03 | 04/13/03 | Hi-tech Color, Inc. | (S) Thermal transfer sheet (back coating agent) | (G) Polyurethane-silicone |
| P-03-0281 | 01/16/03 | 04/16/03 | Solutia Inc | (S) Degassing agent for industrial coatings | (G) Acrylic copolymer |
| P-03-0282 | 01/16/03 | 04/16/03 | CBI | (G) Raw material | (G) Amino-substituted carbopolycycle |
| P-03-0283 | 01/16/03 | 04/16/03 | Mitsui Chemicals America, Inc. | (S) Reagents for nucleic acid testing (on farm animals, crops, plants, foods, living entities other than humans) | (G) Adenosine,N-benzoyl-5-O-[bis(4-methoxyphenyl)] |
| P-03-0284 | 01/17/03 | 04/17/03 | Eastman Kodak Company | (S) Chemical intermediate used in the manufacture of a dye in imaging media/products | (S) 1h-benz[e]indole, 1,1,2-trimethyl-, hydrochloride |
| P-03-0285 | 01/17/03 | 04/17/03 | Eastman Kodak Company | (S) Chemical intermediate used in the manufacture of a dye in imaging media/products | (S) 1h-benz(e)indolium, 1,1,2,3-tetramethyl-, salt with 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid (1:1) |
| P-03-0286 | 01/17/03 | 04/17/03 | CBI | (G) Intermediate in aroma chemical production. | (G) Methoxycyclo diene |
| P-03-0287 | 01/17/03 | 04/17/03 | CBI | (G) Textile colorant | (G) Substituted pyridinemethanesulfonic acid, [[[sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl] [sulfoxyphenyl], sodium salt |
| P-03-0288 | 01/21/03 | 04/21/03 | CBI | (G) Open, non-dispersive use | (G) Substituted benzophenone |
| P-03-0289 | 01/21/03 | 04/21/03 | CBI | (G) Coating component | (G) Modified polyolefin polyacrylate copolymer |
| P-03-0290 | 01/22/03 | 04/22/03 | CBI | (G) Fragrance | (G) Propanoic acid, substituted ester |
| P-03-0291 | 01/22/03 | 04/22/03 | Grain Processing Corporation | (G) Feedstock for processing | (G) Corn by product |
| P-03-0292 | 01/22/03 | 04/22/03 | Grain Processing Corporation | (G) Animal feed, well drilling fluid, ore processing | (G) Thermochemical mechanical processed maize fiber |
| P-03-0293 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | CBI | (G) Open, non dispersive use | (G) Modified polyester polymer |
| P-03-0294 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | Solutia Inc. | (S) Hardener for industrial flooring compounds | (G) Cycloaliphatic polyamine |
| P-03-0295 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | Solutia Inc | (S) Binder for industrial coatings | (G) Modified hydroxyfunctional acrylic copolymer |
| P-03-0296 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | Mitsui Chemicals America, Inc. | (S) Reagents for nucleic acid testing (on farm animals, crops, plants, foods, living entities other than humans) | (S) Cytidine, n-benzoyl-5 - o-[bis(4-methoxyphenyl)phenylmethyl]-2'-deoxy- |
| P-03-0297 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | CBI | (G) Coupling agent/compatibilizer | (G) Modified polyolefin |

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| Case No. | Received Date | Projected Notice End Date | Manufacturer/Importer | Use | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|
| P-03-0298 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | Mitsui Chemicals America, Inc. | (S) Reagents for nucleic acid testing (on farm animals, crops, plants, foods, living entities other than humans) | (S) Guanosine, 5'-o-[bis(4-methoxyphenyl)phenylmethyl]-2'-deoxy-n-(2-methyl-1-oxopropyl)- |
| P-03-0299 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | CBI | (G) A chemical for making electronic devices | (G) Urethane dimethacrylate |
| P-03-0300 | 01/23/03 | 04/23/03 | CBI | (G) Additive for plastics | (G) Halogenated phosphate |
| P-03-0301 | 01/24/03 | 04/24/03 | CBI | (G) Binder, colloid | (G) Vinyl acrylic emulsion polymer |
| P-03-0302 | 01/24/03 | 04/24/03 | CBI | (S) Polymeric stabilizer for the production of acrylic homopolymer or copolymer dispersions which will eventually be used in textile printing applications | (G) Acrylic copolymer |
| P-03-0303 | 01/27/03 | 04/27/03 | Kuraray America, Inc. | (S) Polyurethane resins | (S) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-1,8-octanediyl ester |
| P-03-0304 | 01/27/03 | 04/27/03 | Kuraray America, Inc. | (S) Polyurethane resins | (S) 2-propenoic acid, 1,9-nonanediyl ester |
| P-03-0305 | 01/24/03 | 04/24/03 | Sensient Colors Inc. | (S) Technical dye intermediate | (G) 2-naphthalesulfonic acid, acetamino phenyl azo, sulfo-1-naphthalenyl azo, diamino-5-sulfophenyl azo, acid |
| P-03-0306 | 01/27/03 | 04/27/03 | CBI | (G) Sanitation aid | (G) Polyalkyl-triethoxysilyl-alkyl-substituted heteromonocycle |
| P-03-0307 | 01/28/03 | 04/28/03 | CBI | (G) Colourant | (G) Azo nickel complex |
| P-03-0308 | 01/24/03 | 04/24/03 | Polyone Corporation | (S) Hardcoat sealant for low density substrates. | (S) Isocyanic acid, polymethylene polyphenylene ester, polymer with methyloxirane and oxirane. |

In Table II of this unit, EPA provides the following information (to the extent that such information is not claimed as

CBI) on the Notices of Commencement to manufacture received:

II. 30 NOTICES OF COMMENCEMENT FROM: 01/11/03 TO 01/28/03

| Case No. | Received Date | Commencement/Import Date | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|--------------------------|---|
| P-01-0356 | 01/22/03 | 12/26/02 | (G) N,N' substituted aniline sulfonic acid, potassium salt |
| P-01-0616 | 01/15/03 | 12/22/02 | (G) Aliphatic polycarbonate polyester |
| P-02-0280 | 01/15/03 | 01/06/03 | (G) Dialkylphenoxyalkyl carboxylate, metal salt |
| P-02-0451 | 01/14/03 | 12/20/02 | (G) Amphoteric cellulose ether |
| P-02-0482 | 01/13/03 | 12/27/02 | (S) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, polymers with chlorinated maleic anhydride-polypropylene reaction products, cyclohexyl methacrylate and methacrylate |
| P-02-0502 | 01/21/03 | 01/09/03 | (G) Ipsi prepolymer |
| P-02-0596 | 01/27/03 | 01/13/03 | (G) Epoxy-amine adduct salt |
| P-02-0601 | 01/27/03 | 12/17/02 | (G) Acrylic copolymer |
| P-02-0672 | 01/17/03 | 12/19/02 | (G) Modified polyvinyl butyral |
| P-02-0673 | 01/17/03 | 12/19/02 | (G) Modified polyvinyl butyral |
| P-02-0676 | 01/17/03 | 12/19/02 | (G) Modified polyvinyl butyral |
| P-02-0813 | 01/13/03 | 12/09/02 | (G) Maleic anhydride and acryls modified polyolefine |
| P-02-0826 | 01/22/03 | 12/16/02 | (S) Octadecanoic acid, compound with guanidine (1:1) |
| P-02-0881 | 01/14/03 | 12/10/02 | (G) Silated acrylic resin |
| P-02-0893 | 01/23/03 | 01/14/03 | (G) Ammonium sodium salt of substituted copper phthalocyanine derivative |
| P-02-0912 | 01/23/03 | 12/20/02 | (G) Di-substituted cyclic alkane |
| P-02-0954 | 01/16/03 | 01/09/03 | (G) Metallic diethylglycol ethylether complex |
| P-02-0964 | 01/27/03 | 12/30/02 | (G) Modified alkyd resin |
| P-02-0966 | 01/24/03 | 12/18/02 | (G) Modified polyacrylate |
| P-02-0967 | 01/24/03 | 12/18/02 | (G) Modified polyacrylate |
| P-02-0968 | 01/24/03 | 12/18/02 | (G) Modified polyacrylate |
| P-02-0980 | 01/28/03 | 01/16/03 | (G) Brominated epoxy resin |
| P-02-0984 | 01/14/03 | 12/26/02 | (S) 1,3-benzenedimethanamine, .nu.-(2-phenylethyl) derivs. |
| P-02-0996 | 01/28/03 | 01/24/03 | (G) Aliphatic triamine |
| P-02-1014 | 01/13/03 | 01/03/03 | (G) Cationic polyether |
| P-02-1057 | 01/23/03 | 01/08/03 | (G) Acrylate, acrylonitrile, butadiene rubber-extended epoxy resin |
| P-03-0004 | 01/22/03 | 01/14/03 | (S) Titanium, acetylacetone et alc. iso-pr alc. complexes |
| P-03-0021 | 01/25/03 | 01/24/03 | (S) 2-propenenitrile, polymer with diethenylbenzene, hydrolyzed, reaction products with diethylenetriamine |

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| Case No. | Received Date | Commencement/ Import Date | Chemical |
|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| P-03-0043 P-98-1138 | 01/27/03 01/17/03 | 01/17/03 11/20/02 | (G) Substituted phenolic polymer (S) Hexanoic acid, 6-[[[4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]amino]-, compound with 2,2',2''-nitritoltris[ethanol](1:1) |

List of Subjects

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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**White House Task Force on Energy Project Streamlining**

AGENCY: Council on Environmental Quality.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: On May 18, 2001, the President signed Executive Order 13212, recognizing the importance of environmentally sound production and transmission of energy to all American people. The Order established a Federal interagency task force (Task Force), chaired by the Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), to work with and monitor Federal Agencies' efforts to expedite their review of permits or take other actions necessary to accelerate and make more efficient the Federal decision making process for energy related projects, while maintaining safety, public health, and environmental protections. This Task Force was also charged with helping Agencies create mechanisms to coordinate Federal, State, tribal and local permitting in geographic areas where increased permitting activity is expected.

CEQ announces: (1) The availability of a proceedings report of the first year of effort by the Task Force; (2) invites suggestions for newly proposed or upcoming energy-related projects or issues that may benefit from facilitation by the Task Force in the decision making process; (3) extends an invitation to any interested party to request a meeting with the Task Force to discuss newly proposed or upcoming renewable or conventional energy-related projects, environmental

mitigation measures, best practices, or other topics that would help establish a more effective and efficient decision making process to allow the Nation's energy resources to be available to the American public in an environmentally responsible and safe manner.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before October 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Electronic copies of the proceedings report can be obtained at: <http://www.etf.energy.gov>. If you would like a printed copy, please mail a request to Records Manager, White House Task Force on Energy Project Streamlining, WH-1, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585. Printed copies will be available by March 1, 2003.

Written suggestions for newly proposed or upcoming energy-related projects or issues that may benefit from facilitation of the decision making process by the Task Force, may be submitting by using the downloadable word processing forms found at <http://www.etf.energy.gov>. You may submit your comments or completed form, as an attachment, to an e-mail addressed to whtf.projects@hq.doe.gov. You may fax a copy of your comments to 202-586-2999, Attn: Director or mail your comments to Director, White House Task Force on Energy Project Streamlining, WH-1, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585.

Requests for meetings with the Task Force may be made by calling (202) 586-3464 or by utilizing the downloadable form and e-mailing it to whtf.meetings@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: White House Task Force on Energy Project Streamlining at (202) 586-3464.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Abstract**

Executive Order 13212, signed by the President in Washington, DC, on May 18, 2001, Actions to Expedite Energy-Related Projects, established a Federal interagency task force, chaired by the Chairman, CEQ, to work with and monitor Federal Agencies in their efforts to expedite their review of permits or similar actions, as necessary, to accelerate the completion of energy

related projects, increase energy production and conservation, and improve transmission of energy. In addition, the Task Force would monitor and assist Agencies in setting up appropriate mechanisms to coordinate Federal, State, tribal, and local permitting in geographic areas where increased permitting activity is expected.

The Task Force worked during the first year to address ongoing permit application issues for a wide variety of energy projects that were submitted in response to the **Federal Register** notice published on August 20, 2001 (66 FR 43586), requesting comments from the public. By working through an operational approach that facilitated interagency coordination and addressed impediments to Federal Agencies' finalization of decisions on energy-related projects, the Task Force helped manage the Federal Agency decision making process by setting priorities, scheduling activities in accordance with those priorities, identifying staffing and resource needs, facilitating issue resolution, and measuring the achievements of federal agencies in implementing Executive Order 13212.

The experience gained by the Task Force while helping to streamline decisions about energy-related projects and working to resolve coordination issues—made it apparent that to identify and implement processes that address systemic improvements and, where appropriate, regulatory or legislative changes, the Task Force needed to be involved as early in the permit process as possible. This would allow the Task Force to identify impediments, to resolve interagency priority conflicts, to help incorporate and resolve environmental issues, and to develop more streamlined processes at an earlier stage in the permit application decision process.

To that end, the Council on Environmental Quality requests suggestions of energy-related projects that have either recently been submitted for permit approvals or will be submitted within nine (9) months of this notice and which meet the Administration's goal of providing for the environmentally sound production and transmission of energy to all