

Rd., Room B-116, N Syracuse, NY and Crystal Park 5, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 804, Arlington, VA will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in evaluating the exposure of new chemical substances, including microorganisms and nanomaterials. They will also assist in evaluating the fate and exposure of existing chemicals and review data bearing on the fate and exposure of such chemicals. In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under Contract Number (EP-W-10-005), Versar and its subcontractor will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. Versar and its subcontractor's personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA that EPA may provide Versar and its subcontractor access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters and SRC's sites located at 7502 Round Pond Rd., Room B-116, N Syracuse, NY and Crystal Park 5, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 804, Arlington, VA in accordance with EPA's TSCA CBI Protection Manual.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until December 31, 2014. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice.

Versar and its subcontractor's personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Confidential business information.

Dated: January 13, 2010.

Matthew Leopard,

*Acting Director, Information Management
Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and
Toxics.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0129; FRL-8806-7]

Sulfometuron Methyl Amendment to Reregistration Eligibility Decision

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces EPA's decision to modify certain risk mitigation measures that were specified in the 2008 Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for the herbicide sulfometuron methyl. EPA conducted this reassessment of the Sulfometuron Methyl RED in response to public comments and risk reduction proposals received during the comment period following the Sulfometuron Methyl RED. Based on the new information received, and in a continuing effort to mitigate risk, the Agency has made certain modifications to the Sulfometuron Methyl RED.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rusty Wasem, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-6979; fax number: (703) 308-7070; e-mail address: wasem.russell@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, farm worker and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users, and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since other parties 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 identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0129. Publicly available docket materials are available either in the electronic docket at <http://www.regulations.gov> (EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0129), or 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

A. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Section 4 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) directs EPA to reevaluate existing pesticides to ensure that they meet current scientific and regulatory standards. In 2008, EPA issued a RED for sulfometuron methyl under section 4(g)(2)(A) of FIFRA. In response to a notice of availability published in the **Federal Register** of November 12, 2008 (73 FR 219) (FRL-8388-5), the Agency received comments and mitigation proposals submitted by the technical registrant, user groups, and individuals. The Agency's response to comments is available for viewing in the docket. The amended Sulfometuron Methyl RED reflects changes resulting from Agency consideration of these comments and mitigation proposals. The RED amendment for sulfometuron methyl concludes EPA's reregistration eligibility decision making process for this herbicide.

Stakeholder comments, mitigation proposals, and other information received by the Agency following the publication of the Sulfometuron Methyl RED allowed EPA to further refine the ecological risk assessment for non-target plant species and to revise the buffer zone requirements for sulfometuron methyl. Based on the comments and proposals, EPA also refined the occupational handler exposure risk estimates and revised the personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements for sulfometuron methyl. The label table incorporated into the Sulfometuron Methyl RED amendment includes modifications which specify label language for required application parameters, buffer zones, and PPE requirements.

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

Section 4(g)(2) of FIFRA, as amended, directs that, after submission of all data concerning a pesticide active ingredient, "the Administrator shall determine whether pesticides containing the active ingredient are eligible for reregistration," before calling in product specific data on individual end-use products and

either reregistering products or taking other "appropriate regulatory action."

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Sulfometuron methyl.

Dated: January 12, 2010.

Richard P. Keigwin, Jr.,

Director, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division,
Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0091; FRL-8806-8]

Issuance of an Experimental Use Permit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has granted an experimental use permit (EUP) to the following pesticide applicant. An EUP permits use of a pesticide for experimental or research purposes only in accordance with the limitations in the permit.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susanne Cerrelli, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8077; e-mail address: cerrelli.susanne@epa.gov.

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, 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 information in this action, 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 identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0091. Publicly available docket materials 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. EUP

EPA has issued the following EUP: 29964-EUP-6 —*Issuance*. Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Incorporated, 2450 Southeast Oak Tree Court, Ankeny, IA 50021. This EUP allows the use of the following plant-incorporated protectants:

1. *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry1F protein and the genetic material necessary (vector PHP8999) for its production in corn event TC1507 [Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Unique Identifier: DAS-01507-1]

2. *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry34Ab1 and Cry35Ab1 proteins and the genetic material necessary (vector PHP17662) for their production in corn event DAS-59122-7 [OECD Unique Identifier: DAS-59122-7]

3. *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry1Ab delta-endotoxin protein and the genetic material necessary (vector pZO1502) for its production in corn event Bt11 [OECD Unique Identifier: SYN-BT011-1]

4. *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry1Ab delta-endotoxin protein and the genetic material necessary (vector PV-ZMCT01) for its production in corn event MON 810 [OECD Unique Identifier: MON-00810-6]

5. *Bacillus thuringiensis* Vip3Aa20 insecticidal protein and the genetic material necessary (vector pNOV1300) in corn event MIR162 [OECD Unique Identifier: SYN-IR162-4]

6. *Bacillus thuringiensis* mCry3A protein and the genetic material necessary (vector pZM26) in corn event MIR604 [OECD Unique Identifier: SYN-IR604-5]

These plant-incorporated protectants will be planted in the following combinations:

- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MON 810
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- DAS-59122-7 x MON 810
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- DAS-59122-7
- MON 810
- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7
- Bt11
- MIR604
- MIR162
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- Bt11 x MIR162 x MIR604
- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MON 810 x MIR162

- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MON 810 x MIR604

- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MIR162 x MIR604

- TC1507 x MON 810 x MIR162 x MIR604

- DAS-59122-7 x MON 810 x MIR162 x MIR604

- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MIR162

- TC1507 x DAS-59122-7 x MIR604

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- TC1507 x MON 810 x MIR604

- TC1507 x MIR162 x MIR604

- DAS-59122-7 x MON 810 x MIR162

- DAS-59122-7 x MON 810 x MIR604

- DAS-59122-7 x MIR162 x MIR604

- MON 810 x MIR162 x MIR604

- TC1507 x MIR162

- TC1507 x MIR604

- DAS-59122-7 x MIR162

- DAS-59122-7 x MIR604

- MON 810 x MIR162

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- MIR162 x MIR604

The quantity authorized equates to 68,066 pounds of corn seed [containing 62 grams (0.137 pounds) of Cry1F protein, 787 grams (1.74 pounds) of Cry34Ab1 and Cry35Ab1 proteins, 27 grams (0.060 pounds) of Cry1Ab protein, 347 grams (0.765 pounds) of Vip3Aa20 protein, and 11 grams (0.024 pounds) of mCry3A protein] on 4,126 acres. The program is authorized only in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the States of Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin. The EUP is effective from April 22, 2009, to March 31, 2010, and allows for trial protocols—concentrating on nursery/breeding observation, yield and agronomic evaluation, efficacy, insect resistance management, seed production, and regulatory studies—to be conducted. Under 40 CFR Part 174, permanent exemptions from tolerance have been established for residues of each of the active ingredients in or on all corn commodities.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136c.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Experimental use permits.

Dated: January 7, 2010.

Keith A. Matthews,

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

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