

be deemed to be fair and equitable and not in excess of an amount which interstate pipelines would be permitted to charge for similar transportation service. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150-day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentation of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene in accordance with sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures. All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before March 31, 1995. The petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5176-4]

Public Water System Supervision Program Revision for the State of Ohio

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice is hereby given in accordance with the provision of Section 1413 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 300f *et seq.*, and 40 CFR part 142, subpart B, the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR), that the State of Ohio is revising its approved Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) primacy program. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), has adopted drinking water regulations for Lead and Copper that correspond to the NPDWR for Lead and Copper promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) on June 7, 1991, (56 FR 26460-26564). The U.S. EPA has completed its review of Ohio's PWSS primacy program revision.

The U.S. EPA has determined that the Ohio rule meets the requirements of the Federal rule. Therefore, the U.S. EPA has determined that this state program revision is no less stringent than the corresponding Federal regulations, and is proposing to approve the OEPA's rule revisions.

This proposed approval includes the entire adopted Ohio Lead and Copper

Rule, except for the use of Standard Method-CU E (Bathocuproine) for measuring copper levels in finished drinking water. This method is not a Federally approved analytical method. Any systems which monitor for copper using this method will be considered to be in violation of copper monitoring and reporting requirements.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments on this proposed determination, and may request a public hearing on or before April 21, 1995. If a public hearing is requested and granted, the corresponding determination shall not become effective until such time following the hearing, at which the Regional Administrator issues an order affirming or rescinding this action.

Requests for public hearing should be addressed to: William Spaulding (WD-17J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

Any request for a public hearing shall include the following: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual, organization, or other entity requesting a hearing. (2) A brief statement of the requesting person's interest in the Regional Administrator's determinations and of information that the requesting person intends to submit at such hearing. (3) The signature of the individual making the request; or, if the request is made on behalf of an organization or other entity, the signature of a responsible official of the organization or other entity.

Notice of any hearing shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the time scheduled for the hearing. Such notice will be made by the Regional Administrator in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers of general circulation in the State of Ohio. A notice will be sent to the person(s) requesting the hearing as well as to the State of Ohio. The hearing notice will include a statement of purpose, information regarding the time and location, and the address and telephone number where interested persons may obtain further information. The Regional Administrator will issue an order affirming or rescinding his determination upon review of the hearing record. Should the determination be affirmed, it will become effective as of the date of the order.

Should no timely and appropriate request for a hearing be received, and should the Regional Administrator not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, these determinations shall become effective on April 22, 1995. Please bring this notice to the attention

of any persons known by you to have an interest in these determinations.

All documents related to these determinations are available for inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the following offices:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, P.O. Box 163669, 1800 WaterMark Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43216-3669, State Docket Officer: Mr. Kirk Leifheit, (614) 644-2752
Safe Drinking Water Branch, Drinking Water Section (WD-17J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Spaulding, Region 5, Drinking Water Section at the Chicago address given above, telephone 312/886-7242.

(Section 1413 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (1986), and 40 CFR 142.10 of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations)

Signed this 8th day of March, 1995.

David A. Ullrich,

Acting Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA, Region 5.

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[OPP-180962; FRL 4942-3]

Mancozeb; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption, Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received a specific exemption request from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (hereafter referred to as the "Applicant") for use of the pesticide mancozeb (CAS 8018-01-7) to control leaf, stem blight on ginseng. In accordance with 40 CFR 166.24, EPA is soliciting public comment before making the decision whether or not to grant the exemption.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 6, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments, bearing the identification notation "OPP-180962," should be submitted by mail to: Public Response and Human Resource Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 1128, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Information submitted in any comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information." Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain Confidential Business Information must be provided by the submitter for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments filed pursuant to this notice will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1128, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Margarita Collantes, Registration Division (7505W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: 6th Floor, Crystal Station I, 2800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703) 308-8347; e-mail: collantes.margarita@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136p), the Administrator may, at her discretion, exempt a State agency from any registration provision of FIFRA if she determines that emergency conditions exist which require such exemption.

The Applicant has requested the Administrator to issue a specific exemption for the use of the mancozeb, available as Dithane DF (EPA Reg. No. 707-180) from Rohm and Haas Co., to control leaf, stem blight, caused by the fungus *Alternaria panax* and *Phytophthora cactorum*, on a maximum of 4,167 acres in Wisconsin. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

According to the Applicant, *Alternaria* blight rarely kills the ginseng root, which is the marketed portion; however, loss of the foliage results in significant root yield loss in a harvested crop, and retards root growth and overwintering ability in younger crops. Infestations of *Alternaria* blight in one season greatly increase the potential for epidemics in subsequent seasons, since the fungus remains in the infected plant debris. *Alternaria panax* has become resistant to Rovral 50W, the only fungicide carrying a section 3 label for use against *Alternaria* blight on ginseng. Rovral by itself is no longer be effective

to control *Alternaria*. Other fungicides are also substantially less effective than Dithane. If not controlled, the disease can be expected to infest all of Wisconsin's 5,000 acres of ginseng.

Under the proposed exemption 2.0 lbs of product [1.5 lbs of active ingredient (a.i.)] per acre will be used on 4,167 acres. A maximum of 12 applications at a minimum of 7-day intervals will be made by ground equipment using a minimum of 80 gallons of water per acre. A 28-day pre-harvest interval will be observed. Applications will be made by certified private or commercial applicators or persons under their direct supervision. In addition, applicators, mixer/loaders, and persons entering treated ginseng gardens to work must wear chemical-resistant gloves, long-legged pants and long-sleeved shirts.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 require that the Agency publish notice of receipt in the **Federal Register** and solicit public comment on an application for a specific exemption if an emergency exemption has been subject to a Special Review, and is intended for a use that could pose a risk similar to the risk posed by any use of the pesticide which is or has been subject of the Special Review. [40 CFR 166.24 (a)(5)].

The Agency initiated a Special Review of the ethylene bisdithiocarbamate (EBDC) fungicides on July 17, 1987, which includes mancozeb. A notice of final determination was issued March 2, 1992. The Agency took this action based on an assessment of the risks from exposure to ethylenethiourea (ETU) present in, or formed as a result of metabolic conversion from, pesticide products containing the active ingredient mancozeb. ETU, a potential human carcinogen, teratogen, and thyroid toxicant, is present as a contaminant, degradation product, and metabolite of all the EBDC pesticides. The Agency concluded that the estimated cumulative risk of 10^{-5} from all current 55 food uses was unacceptable and, therefore, canceled the following 11 food uses: apricots, carrots, celery, collards, mustard greens, nectarines, peaches, rhubarb, spinach, succulent beans and turnips. These cancellations reduce estimated lifetime dietary risk to 1.6×10^{-6} which the Agency has determined does not outweigh the benefits of the 44 retained uses.

The regulations governing section 18 also require the Agency to publish a notice of receipt in the **Federal Register** and solicit public comment on an

application for a specific exemption if an emergency exemption has been requested or granted for that use in any 3 previous years, and a complete application for registration of that use has not been submitted to the Agency [40 CFR 166.24 (a) (6)]. Exemptions for the use of mancozeb on ginseng have been requested for the past 8 years (1987 thru 1994). Mancozeb was granted for use on ginseng in 1991, 1993, 1994. Wisconsin issued a crisis in 1992. An application for registration of this use has not been submitted to the Agency.

Accordingly, interested persons may submit written views on this subject to the Field Operations Division at the address above. The Agency will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Crisis exemptions.

Dated: March 14, 1995.

Stephen L. Johnson,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPP-180964; FRL 4942-5]

Propazine; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption, Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received a specific exemption request from the Kansas Department of Agriculture (hereafter referred to as the "Applicant") to use the pesticide propazine (CAS 139-40-2) to treat up to 300,000 acres of sorghum to control various weeds. The Applicant proposes the use of a new (unregistered) chemical; therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR 166.24, EPA is soliciting public comment before making the decision whether or not to grant the exemption. **DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 6, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments, bearing the identification notation "OPP-180964," should be submitted by mail to: Public Response and Program Resource Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW.,