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Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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[PP 5G4495 and 6E4709/T695; FRL 5382-5]

Monsanto Agricultural Company; Establishment of Exemptions from Requirement of Tolerances

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has established exemptions from the requirement of tolerances for the combined residues of the plant pesticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* CryIA(b) delta-endotoxin and the genetic material necessary for its production and for the plant pesticide inert ingredient CP4 EPSPS protein and its regulatory regions in or on certain raw agricultural commodities.

DATES: These temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances expire April 25, 1997.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Monsanto Agricultural Company, 700 Chesterfield Parkway North, St. Louis, MO 63198, has requested in pesticide petitions (PP) 5G4495 and 6E4709 the establishment of exemptions from the requirement of tolerances in or on certain raw agricultural commodities as follows:

1. Pesticide petition (PP) 5G4495 has established an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the combined residues of the plant pesticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* CryIA(b) delta-endotoxin and the genetic material necessary for its production in corn, when used as a plant pesticide in all

raw agricultural commodities of field corn, sweet corn, and popcorn.

2. Pesticide petition (PP) 6E4709 has established an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the combined residues of the plant pesticide inert ingredient CP4 EPSPS protein and the genetic material necessary for its production in corn when used as a plant pesticide inert ingredient in all raw agricultural commodities of field corn, sweet corn, and popcorn.

These temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances will permit the marketing of the above raw agricultural commodities when treated in accordance with the provisions of experimental use permit 524-EUP-82, which is being issued under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended (Pub. L. 95-396, 92 Stat. 819; 7 U.S.C. 136).

The scientific data reported and other relevant material were evaluated, and it was determined that exemptions from the requirement of tolerances will protect the public health. Therefore, the temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances have been established on the condition that the pesticides be used in accordance with the experimental use permit and with the following provisions:

1. The total amount of the active ingredients to be used must not exceed the quantity authorized by the experimental use permit.

2. Monsanto Agricultural Company must immediately notify the EPA of any findings from the experimental use that have a bearing on safety. The company must also keep records of production, distribution, and performance and on request make the records available to any authorized officer or employee of the EPA or the Food and Drug Administration.

These temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances expire April 25, 1997. Residues remaining in or on all raw agricultural commodities after this expiration date will not be considered actionable if the pesticides are legally applied during the term of, and in accordance with, the provisions of the experimental use permit and temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances. These temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances may be revoked if the experimental use permit is revoked or if any experience with or scientific data on this pesticide indicate that such revocation is necessary to protect the public health.

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this notice from the requirement of section 3 of Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a(j).

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Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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Northrup King Corporation; Extension of Exemptions from Requirement of Tolerances

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has extended exemptions from the requirement of tolerances for the combined residues of the plant pesticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* CryIA(b) delta-endotoxin and the genetic material necessary for its production (plasmid vector pZ01502) and for the plant pesticide inert ingredient *phosphinothricin acetyltransferase* and the genetic material necessary for its production (plasmid vector pZ01502) in or on certain raw agricultural commodities.

DATES: These temporary exemptions from the requirement of tolerances expire April 17, 1997.

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