Therefore, based on the completeness and reliability of the toxicity data and the conservative exposure assessment, Novartis concludes that there is reasonable certainty that no harm will result to infants and children from aggregate exposure to cyromazine residues.

H. Estrogenic Effects

Cyromazine does not belong to a class of chemicals known to have or suspected of having adverse effects on the endocrine system. No adverse effects on fertility or reproduction were observed in high dose females (3000 ppm) in the rat reproduction study. Although residues of cyromazine have been found in raw agricultural commodities, there is no evidence that cyromazine bioaccumulates in the environment.

I. Environmental Fate

Soil metabolism and soil dissipation studies on various soil types have shown that cyromazine dissipates moderately over time, while melamine is slightly more stable.

J. International Tolerances

Compatibility problems exist between Codex limits, Mexican limits, and the proposed US tolerances. In Codex and Mexican limits, cyromazine is the only residue of concern; the metabolite melamine is not included in the residue expression. There are no established cyromazine limits for the RAC potato, or the processed commodities, potato granules/flakes, or chips, or the feedstuff, processed potato waste. There is a 0.01 ppm (at or about the limit of determination) Codex limit in milk. (PM 13)

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–5857–2]

Water Pollution Control; Program Application by South Carolina to Administer the Sludge Management (Biosolids) Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of application and public comment period.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 40 CFR 123.61, the State of South Carolina has submitted an application for EPA to approve the existing South Carolina Domestic Sewage Sludge Permitting Program for authorization to administer and enforce the federal sewage sludge management (biosolids) program. According to the State's proposal, this program would be administered by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC).

The application from South Carolina is complete and is available for inspection and copying. Persons wishing to comment upon or object to any aspects of the application from South Carolina or wishing to request a public hearing, are invited to submit the same in writing by August 28, 1997 to the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Protection Agency Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–3104, Attention: Ms. Lena Scott. The public notice number and reference to the program application by South Carolina to administer the sludge management (biosolids) program should be included in the first page of comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Roosevelt Childress, Chief, Surface Water Permits Section, telephone (404) 562–9279, or Mr. Vince Miller, EPA Region 4 Sludge Management Coordinator, telephone (404) 562–9312, or write to the following address: Water Management Division, Surface Water Permits Section, U.S. EPA, Region 4, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–3104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 405 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. 1345, created the sludge management program, allowing EPA to issue permits for the disposal of sewage sludge under conditions required by the CWA. Section 405(c) of the CWA provides that a state may submit an application to EPA for administering its own program for issuing sewage sludge permits within its jurisdiction. EPA is required to approve each such submitted state program unless EPA determines that the program does not meet the requirements of the EPA regulations implementing those sections.

South Carolina's application for sludge management program approval contains a letter from the Governor requesting program approval, an Attorney General's Statement, copies of pertinent State statutes and regulations, the SCDHEC Program Description, and a draft SCDHEC/EPA Memorandum of Agreement(MOA).

Indian Tribes. The term ''Indian Tribe'' is defined under the Act as ''any Indian Tribe, band, nation, or other organized group of community, including any Alaskan Native village, which is federally recognized as eligible for the special programs, and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.'' EPA notes that South Carolina's application does not, nor does it intend to, include management of sewage sludge on lands within Indian Country. EPA will retain authority for administering the federal sewage sludge management program within Indian Country.

Availability of State Submittal

South Carolina's submittal may be reviewed by the public from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, at the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Water Facilities Permitting Division; 2600 Bull Street, South Carolina 29201–1708 or at the EPA Regional Office in Atlanta, Georgia, at the address appearing earlier in this notice.

Copies of the submittal may be obtained at a cost of $0.25 per page by check made payable to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control. Requests for copies should be addressed to Mr. Michael J. Montebello, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control at the address provided above or at telephone number (803) 734–5226.

EPA's Decision

After the close of the public comment period, EPA will decide whether to approve or disapprove South Carolina's sludge management program. The decision will be based on the requirements of Section 405 of the CWA and EPA regulations promulgated thereunder.

If the South Carolina program is approved, EPA will so notify the State. Notice will be published in the **Federal Register** and, as of the date of program approval, EPA will suspend issuance of sewage sludge permits in South Carolina (except, as discussed above, for those sewage sludge use or disposal management practices in ''Indian Country''). The State's program will operate in lieu of the EPA-administered program. However, EPA will retain the right, among other things, to object to sewage sludge permits proposed to be issued by South Carolina and to take enforcement actions for violations. If EPA disapproves South Carolina's sludge management program, EPA will notify the State of the reasons for disapproval and of any revisions or modifications to the State program that are necessary to obtain approval.

Review Under Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act, EPA is required to prepare a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for all rules that may have a significant impact on a substantial number of entities. The proposed approval of the South Carolina Sewage Sludge Permitting Program does not alter the regulatory control over any industrial category. No new substantive requirements are established by this action. Therefore, I hereby certify that because this notice does not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is not needed.

It has been determined that this rule is not a ''significant regulatory action'' under the terms of Executive Order 12866 and is therefore not subject to the Office of Management and Budget's review.

Dated: July 2, 1997.

Beverly H. Banister,

Acting Director, Water Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

July 7, 1997.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before August 11, 1997. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s) contact Judy Boley at 202–418–0214 or via internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060–0577.

Title: Expanded Interconnection with Local Telephone Company Facilities.

Type of Review: Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 16.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 hours.

Cost to Respondents: $10,000. This estimate assumes that the respondent would use mid to senior level personnel to comply with the requirements in pay to the Federal government, thus $35.00 per hour. For example, 16 respondents x 15 hours per response; = $8,400.

Total Annual Burden: 240 hours.

Needs and Uses: Local exchange carriers (LECs) are required to make tariff filings (1) to provide public notice of ''fresh look'' opportunity at their offices and (2) to comply with new Commission standards governing nonrecurring reconfiguration charges, expanded interconnection connection charge rate structure and fresh look.

OMB Approval Number: 3060–0292.

Title: Part 69, Access Charges.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 1,458.

Estimated Time Per Response: 5.8 hours (avg.).

Cost to Respondents: N/A.

Total Annual Burden: 33,825 hours.

Needs and Uses: Part 69 of the Commission's rules and regulations establishes the rules for access charges for interstate or foreign access provided by telephone companies on or after January 1, 1984. Part 69 essentially consists of rules or the procedures for the computation of access charges which are not information collections as defined by 5 CFR part 1320. Any reporting or disclosure occurs in connection with particular tariff filings and other reporting requirements with the FCC or other state commissions or with records maintained in accordance to the Uniform Systems of Accounts (USOA). Sections 69.116(c) and 69.117(c) require the semi-annual submission of data by the local exchange carriers to NECA. Requiring this data collection less frequently would undermine the effectiveness of the programs. States of telephone companies filing their plans for Commission certification will be required to do so only once. Section 69.606 is a monthly requirement; however, carriers must supply the data to NECA for billing purposes. The information is used to compute charges in tariffs for access service (or origination and termination) and to compute revenue pool distributions. Neither process could be implemented without the information.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The FDIC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). Currently, the FDIC is soliciting comments concerning an information collection titled ''Independent Audits.''

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 9, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to Steven F. Hanft, FDIC Clearance Officer, (202) 898–3907, Office of the Executive Secretary, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW.,