The public is welcome to observe the discussions among participants on July 1 and 2 and to request to be included as full discussion participants. EPA will accommodate as many participant requests as possible consistent with the final meeting agenda and structure. However, this meeting is not intended to be a public hearing and only pre-registered individuals will be allowed to participate actively, depending on the final meeting agenda and structure. To ensure that useful results are obtained in the time available, the Agency may limit the number of full participants to 75 individuals. During the two days of the roundtable, there will be a limited ''open microphone'' session to obtain comments from non-participant attendees.

EPA has placed information concerning this roundtable, including the registration forms and a preliminary agenda, in electronic format on the Internet. These materials can be accessed via the Internet at the EPA web site identified above. For those who cannot access the Internet, hard copies may be obtained by contacting Ms. Lisa Enderle of SAIC at (703) 645–6950.

Dated: June 4, 1998.

James R. Berlow,

Director, Hazardous Waste Minimization and Management Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–181064; FRL 5794–5]

Carbofuran; 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 California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation, (hereafter referred to as the ''Applicant'') to use the pesticide flowable Carbofuran (Furadan 4F Insecticide/Nematicide) (EPA Reg. No. 279–2876) to treat up to 300,000 acres of cotton in California, to control cotton aphids. The Applicant proposes the use of a chemical which has been the subject of a Special Review within EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs. The granular formulation of carbofuran was the subject of a Special Review between the years of 1986–1991, which resulted in a negotiated settlement whereby most of the registered uses of granular carbofuran were phased out. While the flowable formulation of carbofuran is not the subject of a Special Review, EPA believes that the proposed use of flowable carbofuran on cotton could pose a risk similar to the risk assessed by EPA under the Special Review of granular carbofuran. Additionally, in 1997 EPA denied requests made under provisions of section 18 for this use of flowable carbofuran. 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 June 24, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments, bearing the identification notation ''OPP–181064,'' should be submitted by mail to: Public Information and Records Integrity branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Follow the instruction under ''SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.'' No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted in any comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. 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 CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be included in the public record by EPA without prior notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: David Deegan, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number and e-mail: Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703–308–9358); e-mail: deegan.dave@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 Applicants have requested the Administrator to issue a specific exemption for the use of carbofuran on cotton to control aphids. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

As part of this request, the Applicant asserts that the state of California is likely to experience non-routine infestations of aphids during the 1998 cotton growing season. The applicant further claims that, without a specific exemption of FIFRA for the use of flowable carbofuran on cotton to control cotton aphids, cotton growers in the state will suffer significant economic losses. The applicant details a use program designed to minimize risks to pesticide handlers and applicators, non-target organisms (both Federally-listed endangered species, and non-listed species), and to reduce the possibility of drift and runoff.

The applicant proposes to make no more than two applications of flowable carbofuran on cotton at the rate of 0.25 lb. active ingredient (a.i.) [(8 fluid oz.)] in a minimum of 2 gallons of finished spray per acre by air, or 10 gallons of finished spray per acre by ground application. The total maximum proposed use during the 1998 growing season July 20, 1998 until October 15, 1998 would be 0.5 lb., a.i. (16 fluid oz.) per acre. The applicant proposes that the maximum acreage which could be treated under the requested exemption would be 300,000 acres. If all acres were treated at the maximum proposed rates, then 150,000 lbs., a.i. would be used in California.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a specific exemption proposing use of a chemical (i.e., an active ingredient) which has been the subject of a Special Review within EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs, and the proposed use could pose a risk similar to the risk assessed by EPA under the previous Special Review. Such notice provides for opportunity for public comment on the application.

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice under docket number [OPP–181064] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI is available

for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official record is the paper record maintained at the address in ''ADDRESSES'' at the beginning of this document.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:

opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number [OPP–181064]. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemption requested by the California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Emergency exemptions.

Dated: May 27, 1998.

James Jones,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6109–3]

Proposed Agreement Pursuant to Section 122(h)(1) of CERCLA for the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site

AGENCY: Environmenatl Protection Agency (''EPA'').

ACTION: Notice; Request for public comment on proposed CERCLA 122(h)(1) agreement for the Bryant Mill Pond Area of the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99–499 (''CERCLA''), and section 7003(d) of the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act (''RCRA''), 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), notification is hereby given that a proposed agreement pursuant to section 122(h)(1) of CERCLA concerning the Bryant Mill Pond Area of the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (''the Site''), located in Kalamazoo and Allegan Counties, Michigan, has been executed by Millennium Holdings, Inc. (''MHI'') and the Director, Superfund Division, of Region 5, EPA. The proposed Agreement has been approved by the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Pursuant to the terms of the proposed agreement, MHI will pay $7.5 million to the Hazardous Substances Superfund, and such sums will be used by the Agency to conduct a time-critical removal action at the Bryant Mill Pond Area. EPA intends to excavate and/or dredge approximately 85,000 cubic yards of wastes contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (''PCBs'') from the Bryant Mill Pond Area, and thereby mitigate the imminent and substantial endangerment to human health or the environment present or threatened by such wastes. The proposed agreement resolves the claims of EPA against MHI under sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA and section 7003 of RCRA relating to the Bryant Mill Pond Area and the removal action.

For thirty days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the settlement or requests for a public meeting in the affected area. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate.

DATES: Comments on the proposed agreement or requests for a public meeting in the affected area must be received by EPA on or before July 9, 1998. Please contact Eileen Furey at (312) 353–6124 or Brad Stimple at (312) 886–0406 with regard to any comments or requests.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the proposed agreement is available for review at EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Please contact Eileen L. Furey at (312) 353–6124, prior to visiting the Region 5 office.

Written comments on the proposed Agreement should be addressed to Eileen L. Furey, Associate Regional Counsel, EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard (Mail Code C–14J), Chicago, Illinois 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eileen L. Furey, Associate Regional Counsel, or Brad Stimple, On-Scene Coordinator, at the address and phone numbers specified above.

William E. Muno,

Director, Superfund Division, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6109–2]

Extension of the Public Comment Period on the Draft General NPDES Permit for Aquaculture Facilities and on-site Fish Processing Facilities in Idaho (General NPDES Permit ID–G13–0000)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of the 30-day extension of the public comment period for a general permit.

SUMMARY: The Director, Office of Water, EPA Region 10, is extending the period for public comment on the proposed general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit number ID–G13–0000 for aquaculture facilities and associated, on-site fish processing facilities operating in Idaho, pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.* This extension of thirty (30) days will be until July 10, 1998. The date this document originally appeared in the **Federal Register** was April 10, 1998.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Public comments should be sent to: Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, Idaho Office, 1435 North Orchard Street, Boise, Idaho 83706, Attn: Carla Fromm.

A copy of the permit and fact sheet can be obtained at this office, or

Idaho Division of Environmental Quality, 1410 N Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706;

IDHW–DEQ Twin Falls Regional Office, 601 Pole Line Road, Suite 2, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301;

IDHW–DEQ Boise Regional Office, 1445 N. Orchard, Boise, Idaho 83706–2239;

IDHW–DEQ Pocatello Regional Office, 224 S. Arthur, Pocatello, Idaho 83204;

IDHW–DEQ Lewiston Regional Office, 1118 F St., Lewiston, Idaho 83501;

IDHW–DEQ Coeur d'Alene Regional Office, 2110 Ironwood Pkwy, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814; and