



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 174 and 180

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Receipt of Pesticide Petitions Filed for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities – January 2025

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Filing of petitions and request for comment.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Agency's receipt of initial filings of pesticide petitions requesting the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various commodities. EPA is hereby providing notice of receipt and opportunity to comment on these petitions.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number and the pesticide petition (PP) of interest identified in Unit II. of this document, online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Additional instructions on commenting and visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Each application summary in Unit II. specifies a contact division. The appropriate division contacts are identified as follows:

- BPPD (Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division) (Mail Code 7511M); Madison Le; main telephone number: (202) 566-1400; email address: BPPDFRNotices@epa.gov.
- RD (Registration Division) (Mail Code 7505T); Charles Smith; main telephone number:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Executive Summary

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action provides information that is directed to the public in general.

B. What is the Agency's authority for taking this action?

EPA regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities are established under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a. FFDCA section 408(d)(3), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(3), requires EPA to publish a notice of receipt of these petitions in the *Federal Register* and provide an opportunity for public comment on the requests.

C. What action is the Agency taking?

As specified in FFDCA section 408(d)(3), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(3), EPA is publishing notice of the receipt of pesticide petitions filed under FFDCA section 408 that request the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities. The Agency is taking public comment on the requests before responding to the petitioner. Pursuant to 40 CFR 180.7(f), a summary of the petition identified in this document, prepared by the petitioner, is included in a docket. EPA has determined that the pesticide petitions described in this document contain data or information prescribed in FFDCA section 408(d)(2), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(2), and 40 CFR 180.7(b); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting the pesticide petitions. After considering the public comments, EPA intends to evaluate whether and what action may be warranted. Additional data may be needed before EPA can make a final determination on these pesticide petitions.

Based upon review of the data supporting these petitions and in accordance with its authority under FFDCA section 408(d)(4)(A)(i), EPA may establish a final tolerance or tolerance

exemption that “may vary from that sought by the petitioner.” For example, EPA may determine that it is appropriate to vary the commodity name for consistency with EPA’s Food and Feed Commodity Vocabulary, which is located here <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-tolerances/food-and-feed-commodity-vocabulary>, or vary the tolerance level based on available data, harmonization interests, or the trailing zeros policy. In addition, when evaluating a petition’s requests for a tolerance or exemption, EPA will consider how use of the pesticide on a crop for which a tolerance is requested may result in residues in or on commodities related to that requested commodity (*e.g.*, whether use on sugar beets for which a tolerance was requested on sugar beet root also requires a tolerance on sugar beet tops or whether use on a cereal grain for which a grain tolerance was requested also requires a tolerance on related animal feed commodities derived from that cereal grain). Public commenters should consider the possibility of such revisions in preparing comments on these petitions.

D. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. *Submitting CBI.* Do not submit CBI to EPA through <https://www.regulations.gov> or email. If you wish to include CBI in your comment, please follow the applicable instructions at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets#rules> and clearly mark the information that you claim to be CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes CBI, a copy of the comment without CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket.

Information marked as CBI will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

II. Petitions Received

This unit provides the following information about the petitions received during this period: The Pesticide Petition (PP) Identification (IN) number; EPA docket ID number for the petition; Information about the petition (*i.e.*, name of the petitioner, name of the pesticide

chemical residue and the commodities for which a tolerance or exemption is sought); The analytical method available to detect and measure the pesticide chemical residue or the petitioner's statement about why such a method is not needed; and the division to contact for that petition. Additional information on the petitions may be obtained through the petition summaries that were prepared by the petitioners pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(2)(A)(i)(I) and 40 CFR 180.7(b)(1), which are included in the related docket for the petition as identified in this unit.

Notice of Filing – Amended Tolerances for Non-Inerts

• *PP 4F9136*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2024-0323). BASF Corporation, 26 Davis Drive, PO Box 13528, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to amend the existing commodity definitions in 40 CFR 180.649(a)(1) for residues of the herbicide saflufenacil, including its metabolites and degradates, in or on "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16-22, forage, except corn, field, forage" to "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16, forage, except corn, field, pop and sweet, forage"; "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16-22, hay" to "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16, hay"; "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16-22, stover, except corn, field, stover" to "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16, stover, except corn, field, pop, and sweet, stover"; and "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16-22, straw, except barley, chia, and wheat, straw" to "Grain, cereal, forage, hay, stover, and straw group 16, straw, except barley, chia, and wheat, straw" unchanged at 0.1 parts per million (ppm); and "Vegetable, foliage of legume, group 7 (except pea, hay)" to "Vegetable, foliage of legume, group 7 (except pea, hay, soybean, forage, and soybean, hay)" unchanged at 0.10 ppm. Adequate enforcement methodology (liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry/mass spectrometry (LC/MS/MS)) methods for plant and livestock commodities are available to enforce the tolerance expression. *Contact*: RD.

Notice of Filing – New Tolerance Exemptions for PIPS

• *PP 4F9142*. (EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-0047). Syngenta Seeds, LLC. – Field Crops - NAFTA, 9 Davis Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to establish an exemption

from the requirement of a tolerance in 40 CFR part 174 for residues of the insecticidal plant-incorporated protectant (PIP) *Bacillus thuringiensis* eCry1Gb.1Ig protein and the genetic material (vector pSYN24795) necessary for its production in MZIR260 Corn (SYN-ØØ260Ø-3) in or on corn, field; corn, sweet; and corn, pop. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because this petition is an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance without numerical limitation. *Contact:* BPPD.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a.

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