part in the Federal Register. An amendment to the ACH Rules that is accepted by the Service shall apply to Government entries on the effective date of the rulemaking specified by the Service in the Federal Register notice expressly accepting such amendment.

4. Revise § 210.6 to read as follows:

§ 210.6 Agencies.

Notwithstanding any provision of the ACH Rules, including Subsections 2.4.5, 2.8.4, 4.3.5, 2.9.2, 3.2.2, and 3.13.3, agencies shall be subject to the obligations and liabilities set forth in this section in connection with Government entries.

(a) Receiving entries. An agency may receive ACH debit or credit entries only with the prior written authorization of the Service.

(b) Liability to a recipient. An agency will be liable to the recipient for any loss sustained by the recipient as a result of the agency’s failure to originate a credit or debit entry in accordance with this part. The agency’s liability shall be limited to the amount of the entry(ies).

(c) Liability to an originator. An agency will be liable to an Originator or an ODFI for any loss sustained by the Originator or ODFI as a result of the agency’s failure to credit an ACH entry to the agency’s account in accordance with this part. The agency’s liability shall be limited to the amount of the entry(ies).

(d) Liability to an RDFI or ACH association. Except as otherwise provided in this part, an agency will be liable to an RDFI for losses sustained in processing duplicate or erroneous credit and debit entries originated by the agency. An agency’s liability shall be limited to the amount of the entry(ies), and shall be reduced by the amount of the loss resulting from the failure of the RDFI to exercise due diligence and follow standard commercial practices in processing the entry(ies). This section does not apply to credits received by an RDFI after the death or legal incapacity of a recipient of benefit payments or the death of a beneficiary as governed by subpart B of this part. An agency shall not be liable to any ACH association.

(e) Acquittance of the agency. The final crediting of the amount of an entry to a recipient’s account shall constitute full acquittance of the Federal Government.

(f) Reversals. An agency may reverse any duplicate or erroneous entry, and the Federal Government may reverse any duplicate or erroneous file. In initiating a reversal, an agency shall certify to the Service that the reversal complies with applicable law related to the recovery of the underlying payment. An agency that reverses an entry shall indemnify the RDFI as provided in the applicable ACH Rules, but the agency’s liability shall be limited to the amount of the entry. If the Federal Government reverses a file, the Federal Government shall indemnify the RDFI as provided in the applicable ACH Rules, but the extent of such liability shall be limited to the amount of the entries comprising the duplicate or erroneous file. Reversals under this section shall comply with the time limitations set forth in the applicable ACH Rules.

(g) Point-of-purchase debit entries. An agency may originate a Point-of-Purchase (POP) entry using a check drawn on a consumer or business account and presented at a point-of-purchase. The requirements of ACH Rules Subsections 2.3.2.2 and 2.5.10.1 shall be met for such an entry if the Receiver presents the check at a location where the agency has posted the notice required by the ACH Rules and has provided the Receiver with a copy of the notice.

(h) Return Fee Entry. An agency that has authority to collect returned item service fees may do so by originating a Return Fee Entry if the agency provides notice to the Receiver in accordance with the ACH Rules.”

5. In § 210.8, revise paragraphs (a) and (b) to read as follows:

§ 210.8 Financial institutions.

(a) Status as a Treasury depositary. The origination or receipt of an entry subject to this part does not render a financial institution a Treasury depositary. A financial institution shall not advertise itself as a Treasury depositary on such basis.

(b) Liability. Notwithstanding ACH Rules Subsections 2.4.5, 2.8.4, 4.3.5, 2.9.2, 3.2.2, and 3.13.3, if the Federal Government sustains a loss as a result of a financial institution’s failure to handle an entry in accordance with this part, the financial institution shall be liable to the Federal Government for the loss, up to the amount of the entry, except as otherwise provided in this section. A financial institution shall not be liable to any third party for any loss or damage resulting directly or indirectly from an agency’s error or omission in originating an entry. Nothing in this section shall affect any obligation or liability of a financial institution under Regulation E, 12 CFR part 1005, or the Electronic Funds Transfer Act, 12 U.S.C. 1693 et seq.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. The following list of North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide to help readers determine whether this document applies to them. Potentially affected entities may include:

• Crop production (NAICS code 111).

• Animal production (NAICS code 112).

• Food manufacturing (NAICS code 311).

• Pesticide manufacturing (NAICS code 32532).

If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT for the division listed at the end of the pesticide petition summary of interest.

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

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information to EPA through regulations.gov or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked 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 http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html.

3. Environmental justice. EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low-income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticides discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

EPA is announcing its receipt of several pesticide petitions filed under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, requesting the establishment or modification of regulations in 40 CFR 180 for residues of pesticide chemicals in/on or on food commodities. The Agency is taking public comment on the requests before responding to the petitioners. EPA is not proposing any particular action at this time. EPA has determined that the pesticide petitions described in this document contain the data or information prescribed in FFDCA section 408(d)(2), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data support granting of 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.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 180.7(f), a summary of each of the petitions that are the subject of this document, prepared by the petitioner, is included in a docket EPA has created for each rulemaking. The docket for each of the petitions is available at http://www.regulations.gov. As specified in FFDCA section 408(d)(3), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(3), EPA is publishing notice of the petitions so that the public has an opportunity to comment on these requests for the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of pesticides in/on food commodities. Further information on the petitions may be obtained through the petition summaries referenced in this unit.

New Tolerances

1. PP 6E8462. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0365). Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC, P.O. Box 18300, Greensboro, NC 27419, requests to establish an import tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of the herbicide trinexapac-ethyl: 4- (cyclopropyl-o-hydroxy-methylene)-3,5-dioxo-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid ethyl ester expressed as its major metabolite CGA–179500: 4-(cyclopropyl-o-hydroxy-methylene)-3,5-dioxo-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid in or on poppy, seed at 8 parts per million (ppm). The Syngenta Crop Protection Analytical Method GRM020.01A is used to measure and evaluate the chemical trinexapac-ethyl expressed as its major metabolite CGA–179500. Contact: RD.

2. PP 6E8488. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0384). Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR–4) Project Headquarters, Rutgers, The State University of NJ, 500 College Road East, Suite 201 W, Princeton, NJ 08540, requests to establish a tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of the herbicide quinclorac, 3,7-dichloro-8-quinolin-carboxylic acid in or on asparagus at 0.06 ppm; the bushberry subgroup 13–07B, except lowbush blueberry at 0.6 ppm; and the caneberry subgroup 13–07A at 0.06 ppm. Adequate analytical methods gas chromatography/electron capture detector (GC/ECD) are available for enforcing quinclorac tolerances on plant (BASF Method A8902) and livestock (BASF Method 268/1) commodities. Contact: RD.

3. PP 6E8492. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0495). Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR–4) Project Headquarters, Rutgers, The State University of NJ, 500 College Road East, Suite 201 W, Princeton, NJ 08540, requests to establish a tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of prometryn in/on the raw agricultural commodity lettuce at 0.5 ppm; cottonseed subgroup 20C at 0.25 ppm; fennel, Florence at 0.5 ppm; leaf petiole vegetable subgroup 22B at 0.5 ppm; sesame, oil at 0.12 ppm; sesame, seed at 0.05 ppm; and Swiss chard at 0.5 ppm. A gas chromatography analytical method is available for enforcement purposes. The method determines residues of prometryn in/on plants using a microcoulometric sulfur detection system. Contact: RD.

4. PP 6E8498. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0563). Bayer CropScience, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27770, requests to establish a tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of the insecticide, imidacloprid, in or on olive at 2 ppm, tea, green at 50 ppm, and tea, black (dried) at 50 ppm. The common moiety method using a permanganate oxidation, silyl derivatization, and capillary gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GC MS) selective ion
monitoring is used to measure and evaluate the chemical imidacloprid and its metabolites containing the 6-chloropyridinyl moiety. Contact: RD.

5. PP 6F8479. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0508). Bayer CropScience LP, 2 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to establish a tolerance in 40 CFR part 180 for residues of the fungicide fluoxastrobin in or on Rapeseed Subgroup 20A at 0.01 ppm. The analytical method liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC/MS/MS) detection method is used to measure and evaluate the chemical fluoxastrobin. Contact: RD.

6. PP 6F8458. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0537). Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC, PO Box 18300, Greensboro, NC 27419, requests to establish tolerances in 40 CFR 180.665 for residues of the fungicide, sedaxane, by establishing tolerances in or on grain, cereal, forage, fodder and straw, group 16 at 0.06 ppm; grain, cereal, group 15 at 0.01 ppm; peanut, dry, at 0.01 ppm; and peanut, hay at 0.04 ppm GRM023.01A/GRM023.01B and HPLC/LC–MS/MS is used to measure and evaluate the chemical sedaxane. Contact: RD.

7. PP 6F8475. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0538). PMC Corporation, 1735 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, requests to establish a tolerance in 40 CFR 180 for residues of the fungicide, bixafen, in or on cattle, at 0.5 ppm; clover, at 0.01 ppm; and rape, hay at 10 ppm. The high performance liquid chromatography–mass spectrometry (HPLC–MS/MS) analytical method is available for enforcement purposes. The method determines residues of prometryn in/on plants using a microcolumnar sulfur detection system. Contact: RD.

2. PP 6E8500. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0518). BASF Corporation, PO. Box 13528, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, requests to amend the tolerance in 40 CFR 180.663 for residues of the fungicide ametoctradin in or on hops, dried cone from 10 ppm to 100 ppm. The high performance liquid chromatography–mass spectrometry (HPLC–MS/MS) analytical method is used to measure and evaluate the chemical residues of ametoctradin. Contact: RD.

3. PP 6F8458. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0537). Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC, PO Box 18300, Greensboro, NC 27419, requests to amend the tolerances in 40 CFR 180.665 for residues of the fungicide, sedaxane, by removing the tolerances on barley, grain at 0.01 ppm; barley, hay at 0.04 ppm; barley, straw at 0.01 ppm; corn, field, forage at 0.01 ppm; corn, field, grain at 0.01 ppm; corn, field, stover at 0.01 ppm; corn, pop, grain at 0.01 ppm; corn, pop, stover at 0.01 ppm; corn, sweet, forage at 0.01 ppm; corn, sweet, kernel plus cob with husks removed at 0.01 ppm; corn, sweet, stover at 0.01 ppm; oat, forage at 0.015 ppm; oat, grain at 0.01 ppm; oat, hay at 0.06 ppm; oat, straw at 0.01 ppm; rye, forage at 0.015 ppm; rye, grain at 0.01 ppm; rye, straw at 0.01 ppm; sorghum, grain, forage at 0.01 ppm; sorghum, grain, grain at 0.01 ppm; sorghum, grain, stover at 0.01 ppm; wheat, forage at 0.015 ppm; wheat, grain at 0.01 ppm; wheat, hay at 0.06 ppm; and wheat straw at 0.01 ppm. The GRM023.01A/GRM023.01B and HPLC/LC–MS/MS is used to measure and evaluate the chemical sedaxane. Contact: RD.

New Tolerance Exemptions


2. PP IN–10949. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0337). Clarient Corporation, 400 Monroe Road, Charlotte, NC 28205 requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of fatty acids, montan-wax, ethoxylated (CAS Reg No. 68476–04–0) having a minimum number-average molecular weight (in amu) of 1800, when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations under 40 CFR 180.960. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is not required for a tolerance exemption. Contact: RD.

Amended Tolerance Exemptions

1. PP 6E8471. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2016–0566). Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR–4), Rutgers University, 500 College Road East, State 201W, Princeton, NJ 08540, requests to amend an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance in 40 CFR 180.1206 for residues of the fungicide Aspergillus flavus AF36 by adding in or on almond and fig. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance is proposed for Almond and Fig. Contact: BPPD.


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