Any person or the Commission’s staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission’s rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission’s public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff’s issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission’s public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff’s FEIS or EA.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission’s environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission’s environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters, will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission’s final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the “eFiling” link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and seven copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: May 18, 2017.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Pyridate; 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 Washington State Department of Agriculture to use the herbicide pyridate (CAS No. 5512–33–9) to treat up to 13,850 acres of double-cut mint to control terbacil-resistant redroot pigweed biotypes, common lambsquarts, Powell amaranth, cinquefoil, Russian thistle, marestail and field violet in Washington. The applicant proposes a use of a pesticide that was voluntarily canceled in 2004, and which is now considered to be unregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). 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 8, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0137, by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://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.

• Mail: OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

Hand delivery: To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about docket generally, is available at http://www.epa.gov/dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Michael L. Goodis, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; main telephone number: (703) 305–7090; email address: RDFRNotices@epa.gov.

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).

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

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information to EPA through www.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 pesticide discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

Under section 18 of the FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136p), at the discretion of the EPA Administrator, a Federal or State agency may be exempted from any provision of FIFRA if the EPA Administrator determines that emergency conditions exist which require the exemption. The Washington State Department of Agriculture has requested the EPA Administrator to issue a specific exemption for the use of pyridate on double-cut mint (peppermint and spearmint) to control terbacil-resistant redroot pigweed biotypes, common lambquarters, Powell amaranth, cinquefoil, Russian thistle, marestail and field violet. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

In this specific exemption, the Applicant asserts that there are currently no available registered herbicides that can be applied at the proper timing to provide effective control of various broadleaf weeds without causing unacceptable injury in double-cut mint. In addition, there are no economically or environmentally feasible alternative practices, and that mint producers expect to experience yield loss greater than 20% in double-cut spearmint and peppermint.

The Applicant proposes to apply no more than a total of 2,597 gallons of the registered product, Tough EC, (approximately 12,985 pounds active ingredient of pyridate) per acre per year. Up to 13,850 acres of double-cut mint (8,800 acres spearmint; 5,050 acres peppermint) in Washington may be treated. Additional information from the Applicant’s submission that details the need for the exemption and the proposed use pattern can be found at [http://www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) in the specific exemption application request from the Washington Department of Agriculture for emergency use of pyridate in double-cut peppermint and spearmint to control terbacil-resistant redroot pigweed species.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing FIFRA section 18 require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a specific exemption proposing use of a pesticide that was voluntarily canceled in 2004, and which is now considered to be unregistered under the FIFRA Act. Accordingly, this notice provides an opportunity for public comment on the application. The Agency will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the specific exemption requested by the Washington State Department of Agriculture. Further, numerous states that have previously requested a specific exemption for use of pyridate on mint to control various broadleaf weeds species may submit similar specific exemption requests.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.


Michael Goodis,
Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[MB Docket No. 16–306, GN Docket No. 12–268; DA 17–442]

Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Announce Procedures for the Post-Incentive Auction Broadcast Transition

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) provides guidance for low power television (LPTV), television translator (TV translator) and analog-to-digital replacement translator (DRT) stations (referred to collectively as “LPTV/translator stations”) regarding the post-auction transition period with the completion of the broadcast television spectrum incentive auction (Auction 1000). The purpose of this notice is to summarize and clarify the rules and procedures governing the post-auction transition for LPTV/translator stations.

DATES: May 24, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shaun Maher, Video Division, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, barbara.kreisman@fcc.gov, (202) 418–2324.


Displacement Public Notice

The Media Bureau will announce a limited window (Special Displacement Window) for LPTV/translator stations subject to displacement as a result of the incentive auction and repacking process to submit displacement applications. The Special Displacement Window will be announced after full power and Class A television stations reassigned to new channels in the repacking process have had an opportunity to apply for their preferred facilities. The exact dates for the Special Displacement Window will be announced by public notice (Displacement Public Notice) approximately seven to eight months after release of the Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice on April 13, 2017. The Displacement Public Notice will be released not less than 60 days prior to the opening of the Special Displacement Window. The Special Displacement Window will remain open for 30 days.

Channel Study: The Displacement Public Notice will provide channel availability data to assist eligible LPTV/TV translator stations in identifying potential new channels in the repacked TV bands, consistent with the Commission’s direction in the LPTV DTV Third R&O. Specifically, the data will identify locations and channels where LPTV/translator stations cannot propose displacement facilities because of the presence of other non-displaced LPTV/translator stations, full power and Class A television stations or land mobile operations. The data will be based on use of the incentive auction software nationwide and the full power and Class A television station technical parameters in the Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice, as well as any full power and Class A television modifications proposed in the two alternate channel/expanded facilities filing windows. The data will be provided on the same 2x2 kilometer basis as utilized in “TVStudy,” the