SUMMARY: EPA is announcing its receipt of several initial filings for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities. The Agency is taking action to consider 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.

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.

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 part 180 for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various 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 406(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 or on food commodities. Further information on the petitions may be obtained through the petition summaries referenced in this unit.

New Tolerance Exemptions for Inerts (Except PIPS)

PP IN–11069. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0651). The Dow Chemical Company, 1803 Building, Washington Street, Midland, MI 48764, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of 2-phenoxyethanol (CAS Reg. No. 122–99–6) when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops or to raw agricultural commodities after harvest under 40 CFR 180.910. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because the Agency is establishing an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance without any numerical limitation.

Contact: RD.

PP IN–11104. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2018–0288). Morse Enterprises Limited, Inc. d/b/a KeyPlex, P.O. Box 2515, Winter Park, FL 32790, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of patchouli oil (CAS Reg. No. 8014–09–3) when used as an inert ingredient (solvent, fragrance) in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops and raw agricultural commodities under 40 CFR 180.910 and applied to animals under 40 CFR 180.930 at a concentration not to exceed 30% by weight of the pesticide formulation. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because it is not required for an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

Contact: RD.

PP IN–11111. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2018–0290). BASF Corporation, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of 1-propanesulfonic acid, 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propen-1-yl)amino]-, homopolymer, sodium (CAS Reg. No. 55141–01–0) and 1-propanesulfonic acid, 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propen-1-yl)amino]-, sodium salt (1:1), (CAS Reg. No. 35641–59–9), when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations under 40 CFR 180.960. The petitioner believes no analytical method is needed because this is not required for an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

Contact: RD.

PP IN–11149. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2018–0264). Spring Trading Company on behalf of BASF Corporation, 100 Park Avenue, Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of 2-propenoic acid, polymer with butyl 2-propenoate, ethenylbenzene and (1-methylethenyl) benzene, ammonium salt (CAS Reg. No. 360564–31–4), with a minimum number average molecular weight of 2,300 daltons, 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 an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

Contact: RD.

PP IN–11150. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2018–0268). Spring Trading Company on behalf of BASF Corporation, 100 Park Avenue, Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of for 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, polymer with butyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate, butyl 2-propenoate, N-(1,1-dimethyl-3-oxobutyl)-2-propenamide, ethenylbenzene, 2-ethylhexyl 2-propenoate and methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate (CAS Reg. No. 481053–27–4), with a minimum number average molecular weight of 7,300 daltons, 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 an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

Contact: RD.

PP IN–11151. (EPA–HQ–OPP–2018–0263). Spring Trading Company on behalf of BASF Corporation, 100 Park Avenue, Florham Park, New Jersey 07932, requests to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of for 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 2-oxiranymethyl ester, polymer with butyl 2-propenoate, ethenylbenzene and 2-ethylhexyl 2-propenoate (CAS Reg. No. 58499–26–6), with a minimum number average molecular weight of 3,600 daltons, 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 an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

Contact: RD.

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DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 16, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number and the pesticide petition number (PP) of interest as shown in the body of this document, by one of the following methods:

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• 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 Goodis, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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40 CFR Part 180

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Receipt of Several Pesticide Petitions Filed for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of filing of petitions and request for comment.

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