

mitigation measures. These proposed interim registration review decisions are supported by the rationales included in those documents. Following public comment, the Agency will issue interim or final registration review decisions for the pesticides listed in the table in Unit IV.

The registration review final rule at 40 CFR 155.58(a) provides for a minimum 60-day public comment period on all proposed interim registration review decisions. This comment period is intended to provide an opportunity for public input and a mechanism for initiating any necessary amendments to the proposed interim decision. All comments should be submitted using the methods in **ADDRESSES**, and must be received by EPA on or before the closing date. These comments will become part of the docket for the pesticides included in the Table in Unit IV. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." EPA is not required to consider these late comments.

The Agency will carefully consider all comments received by the closing date and may provide a "Response to Comments Memorandum" in the docket. The interim registration review decision will explain the effect that any comments had on the interim decision and provide the Agency's response to significant comments.

Background on the registration review program is provided at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticide-reevaluation>.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Interim Registration Review Decisions and Case Closures for Several Pesticides; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decision for the following chemicals: Aldicarb, aliphatic esters, atonik plant growth regulators, bromuconazole, carfentrazone-ethyl, cyclanilide, ethephon, flumiclorac-pentyl, hexazinone, hymexazol, menthol, mepiquat chloride/mepiquat pentaborate, metaflumizone, and propylene glycol/dipropylene glycol/triethylene glycol. It also announces the case closures for Oxazolidine-E (Case 5027 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0404) and Bromohydroxyacetophenone (BHAP) (Case 3032, EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0726), because the last U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, farm worker, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the pesticide specific contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For pesticide specific information, contact: The Chemical Review Manager for the pesticide of interest identified in the Table in Unit IV.

For general information on the registration review program, contact: Dana Friedman, Pesticide Re-Evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 347-8827; email address: friedman.dana@epa.gov.

II. Background

Registration review is EPA's periodic review of pesticide registrations to ensure that each pesticide continues to satisfy the statutory standard for registration, that is, the pesticide can perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment. As part of the registration review process, the Agency has completed interim decisions for all pesticides listed in the Table in Unit IV. Through this program, EPA is ensuring that each pesticide's registration is based on current scientific and other knowledge, including its effects on human health and the environment.

III. Authority

EPA is conducting its registration review of the chemicals listed in the Table in Unit IV pursuant to section 3(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Procedural Regulations for Registration Review at 40 CFR part 155, subpart C. Section 3(g) of FIFRA provides, among other things, that the registrations of pesticides are to be reviewed every 15 years. Under FIFRA, a pesticide product may be registered or remain registered only if it meets the statutory standard for registration given in FIFRA section 3(c)(5) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(5)). When used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, the pesticide product must perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on the environment; that is, without any unreasonable risk to man or the environment, or a human dietary risk from residues that result from the use of a pesticide in or on food.

IV. What action is the Agency taking?

Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58, this notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decisions for the pesticides shown in the following table. The interim registration review decisions are supported by rationales included in the docket established for each chemical.

TABLE—REGISTRATION REVIEW INTERIM DECISIONS BEING ISSUED

Registration review case name and No.	Docket ID No.	Chemical review manager and contact information
Aldicarb Case 0140	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0161	Susan Bartow, bartow.susan@epa.gov , (703) 603-0065.
Aliphatic Esters Case 4005	EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0084	Brian Kettl, kettl.brian@epa.gov , (703) 347-0535.
Atonik Plant Growth Regulators (Sodium 5-Nitroguaiacolate, Sodium o-Nitrophenolate, Sodium p-Nitrophenolate) Case 6067.	EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0832	Chris Pfeifer, pfeifer.chris@epa.gov , (703) 308-0031.
Bromuconazole Case 7035	EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0535	Thomas Harty, harty.thomas@epa.gov , 703-347-0338.

TABLE—REGISTRATION REVIEW INTERIM DECISIONS BEING ISSUED—Continued

Registration review case name and No.	Docket ID No.	Chemical review manager and contact information
Carfentrazone-ethyl Case 7422	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0815	Jordan Page, page.jordan@epa.gov , (703) 347-0467.
Cyclanilide Case 7018	EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0153	Leigh Rimmer, rimmer.leigh@epa.gov , (703) 347-0553.
Ethephon Case 0382	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0098	Mark Baldwin, baldwin.mark@epa.gov , (703) 308-0504.
Flumiclorac-pentyl Case 7232	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0084	Christian Bongard, bongard.christian@epa.gov , (703) 347-0337.
Hexazinone Case 0266	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0755	Bilin Basu, basu.bilin@epa.gov , (703) 347-0455.
Hymexazol Case 7016	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0127	Caitlin Newcamp, newcamp.caitlin@epa.gov , (703) 347-0325.
Menthol Case 4063	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0900	Chris Pfeifer, pfeifer.chris@epa.gov , (703) 308-0031.
Mepiquat chloride/Mepiquat pentaborate Case 2375.	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0083	Caitlin Newcamp, newcamp.caitlin@epa.gov , (703) 347-0325.
Metaflumizone Case 7446	EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0417	Brittany Pruitt, pruitt.brittany@epa.gov , (703) 347-0289.
Propylene Glycol, Dipropylene Glycol and Triethylene Glycol Case Numbers 3126 and 3146.	EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0218 EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0219	Megan Snyderman, snyderman.megan@epa.gov , (703) 347-0671.

The proposed interim registration review decisions for the chemicals in the table above were posted to the docket and the public was invited to submit any comments or new information. EPA addressed the comments or information received during the 60-day comment period for the proposed interim decisions in the discussion for each pesticide listed in the table. Comments from the 60-day comment period that were received may or may not have affected the Agency's interim decision. Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58(c), the registration review case docket for the chemicals listed in the Table will remain open until all actions required in the interim decision have been completed.

This document also announces the closures of the registration review cases for Oxazolidine-E (Case 5027, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0404) and Bromohydroxyacetophenone (BHAP) (Case 3032, EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0726) because all of the U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled. Background on the registration review program is provided at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticide-reevaluation>.

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Inquiry To Learn Whether Businesses Assert Business Confidentiality Claims Regarding Waste Import and Export

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) occasionally receives Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for documentation received or issued by EPA or data contained in EPA database systems pertaining to the export and import of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste from/to the United States, the export of cathode ray tubes (CRTs), the export and import of spent lead acid batteries (SLABs) from the United States, and the export and import of RCRA universal waste from/to the United States. The purpose of this notice is to inform “affected businesses” about the documents or data sought by these types of FOIA requests in order to provide the businesses with the opportunity to assert claims that any of the information sought that pertains to them is entitled to treatment as confidential business information (CBI), and to send comments to EPA supporting their claims for such treatment. “Affected businesses” are businesses identified or referenced in the documents that were submitted to EPA by the submitting business which may have a right to assert a CBI claim concerning information that pertains to them and may do so in response to this notice. Certain businesses, however, do not meet the definition of “affected business,” and are not covered by today’s notice. They consist of any business that actually submitted to EPA any document at issue pursuant to applicable RCRA regulatory requirements and did not assert a CBI claim as to information that pertains to that business in connection with the document at the time of its submission; they have waived their right to do so at a later time. This notice also serves to inform the public that based on the Confidentiality Determinations for Hazardous Waste Export and Import Documents, EPA-HQ-OLEM-2016-

0492, published on December 26, 2017 (Confidentiality Rule), this is the last time EPA will be publishing the **Federal Register** Notice “Inquiry to Learn Whether Businesses Assert Business Confidentiality Claims.” Effective June 26, 2018, the Confidentiality Rule applies a confidentiality determination such that no person can assert confidential business information (CBI) claims for documents related to the export, import, and transit of hazardous waste, including those hazardous waste managed under the alternate standards, and excluded cathode ray tubes (CRTs). Therefore, publication of this **Federal Register** notice will no longer be needed since “affected businesses” will no longer be able to claim CBI on any documents on which they are listed.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 29, 2018. The period for submission of comments may be extended if, before the comments are due, you make a request for an extension of the comment period and it is approved by the EPA legal office. Except in extraordinary circumstances, the EPA legal office will not approve such an extension without the consent of any person whose request for release of the information under the FOIA is pending.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OECA-2018-0004, by one of the following methods:

- **Email:** kreisler.eva@epa.gov.
- **http://www.regulations.gov:** Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- **Address:** Eva Kreisler, International Compliance Assurance Division, Office of Federal Activities, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2254A, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.