

DATES: Written comments on these decisions must be submitted by June 10, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of comments identified with the docket number "OPP-34094" and the case number (noted below), should be submitted to: By mail: OPP Pesticide Docket, Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, deliver comments to: OPP Pesticide Docket, Room 1132, Crystal Mall 2 (CM#2), 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an

ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number "OPP-34094". No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found in "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" of this document.

Information submitted as a comment in response to this Notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with

procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public docket without prior notice (including comments and data submitted electronically). The public docket and docket index, including printed paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1132 at the address given above, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical questions on the above listed decisions should be directed to the appropriate Chemical Review Managers:

| Chemical Name | Case No. | Chemical Review Manager | Telephone No. | E-mail Address |
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| Nabam | (0641) | Venus Eagle-Kunst | (703) 308-8045 | Eagle-Kunst.venus@epamail.epa.gov |
| Sodium Omadine | (0209) | Judy Loranger | (703) 308-8057 | Loranger.judy@epamail.epa.gov |

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Agency has issued Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) documents for the pesticidal active ingredients listed above. Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended in 1988, EPA is conducting an accelerated reregistration program to reevaluate existing pesticides to make sure they meet current scientific and regulatory standards. The data base to support the reregistration of each of the chemicals listed above is substantially complete. All registrants of products containing one or more of the above listed active ingredients have been sent the appropriate RED documents and must respond to labeling requirements and product specific data requirements (if applicable) within 8 months of receipt. Products containing other active ingredients will not be reregistered until those other active ingredients are determined to be eligible for reregistration.

The reregistration program is being conducted under Congressionally mandated time frames, and EPA recognizes both the need to make timely reregistration decisions and to involve the public. Therefore, EPA is issuing these REDs as final documents with a 60-day comment period. Although the 60-day public comment period does not affect the registrant's response due date, it is intended to provide an opportunity for public input and a mechanism for initiating any necessary amendments to

the RED. All comments will be carefully considered by the Agency. If any comment significantly affects a RED, EPA will amend the RED by publishing the amendment in the Federal Register.

To request a copy of any of the above listed RED documents, or a RED Fact Sheet, contact the OPP Pesticide Docket, Public Response and Program Resources Branch, in Rm. 1132 at the address given above or call (703) 305-5805.

Electronic copies of the REDs and RED fact sheets can be downloaded from the Pesticide Special Review and Reregistration Information System at 703-308-7224, and also can be reached on the Internet via fedworld.gov and EPA's gopher server, gopher.epa.gov.

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The official record of this notice, as well as the public version, as described above will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA will transfer all comments received electronically into printed, paper form as they are received and will place the paper copies in the official record which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official record is the paper record maintained at the address in

"ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

List of Subjects

Environmental Protection.

Dated: March 26, 1996.

Jay Ellenberger,
Acting Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPP-181006; FRL-5360-4]

Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption to use Pirate; Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received specific exemption requests from the Alabama Department of Agriculture Industries, Arkansas State Plant Board, and the Mississippi Department of Agriculture Commerce (hereafter referred to as the "Applicants") to use the pesticide Pirate to treat up to 3,300,000 acres of cotton to control the beet armyworm (BAW) and the tobacco budworm (TBW).

The Applicants propose the use of a new (unregistered) chemical [40 CFR 166.24(a)(1)]. Therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR 166.24, EPA is soliciting

public comment before making the decision whether or not to grant the exemption.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 25, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments, bearing the identification notation "OPP-181006", should be submitted by mail to: Public Response and Program Resource Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St. SW, Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number [OPP-181006]. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found below in this document.

Information submitted in any comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as (CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be provided by the submitter for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments filed pursuant to this notice will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Margarita Collantes, Registration Division (7505W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St. SW, Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Floor 6, Crystal Station #1, 2800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 308-8347; email: collantes.margarita@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)

(7 U.S.C. 136p), the Administrator may, at her discretion, exempt a state agency from any registration provision of FIFRA if she determines that emergency conditions exist which require such exemption. The Applicants have requested the Administrator to issue specific exemptions for the use of Pirate on cotton to control the beet armyworm and the tobacco budworm. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of these requests. According to the Applicants, the rationale for requesting this emergency exemption is based on pheromone trap catches from the previous winter and spring months indicating that the BAW may be overwintering in Alabama, Arkansas and Mississippi and if environmental conditions are favorable early in the growing season, a large outbreak of BAW could occur. In addition the inability of the currently available insecticides to control the BAW and increased development of pyrethroid resistance in the TBW has resulted in yield losses and high control costs.

The use of Pirate to control the BAW and TBW was issued to most of the states within the southern cotton belt region last year. In an effort to mitigate risk to Federally-listed threatened and endangered species from potentially harmful exposure to Pirate, specific directions, restrictions, precautions and monitoring for wildlife mortality were required.

Under the proposed exemption, Pirate 3SC may be applied at a maximum rate of 0.2 pounds per acre (8.53 fl. ozs.) for control of the BAW and at a maximum rate of 0.35 lbs. a.i. (14.9 fl. ozs.) per acre for control of the TBW, using ground or aerial application equipment in a minimum of 10 gallons per acre total volume by ground, or 5 gallons of spray solution per acre by air. This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a specific exemption proposing use of a new chemical (i.e. an active ingredient not contained in any currently registered pesticide), - [40 CFR 166.24(a)(1)]. Pirate 3SC is an unregistered chemical. Such notice provides for opportunity for public comment on the application.

A record has been established for this notice under docket number [OPP-181006] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI is available for inspection from 8 a.m. to

4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in Rm. 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resource Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

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The Agency, accordingly, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the emergency exemptions requested by the Alabama Department of Agricultural Industries, Arkansas State Plant Board, and the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticide and pests, Emergency exemptions.

Dated: March 29, 1996.

Peter Caulkins,
Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPP-50817; FRL-5351-3]

Issuance of Experimental Use Permits

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has granted experimental use permits to the following applicants. These permits are in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of 40 CFR part 172, which defines EPA procedures with respect to the use of pesticides for experimental use purposes.