

§ 180.415 Aluminum tris (O-ethylphosphonate); tolerances for residues.

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(c) Time-limited tolerances are established for residues of the fungicide aluminum tris (O-ethylphosphonate) in or on the following raw agricultural commodities:

Commodity	Parts per million	Expiration date
Blueberry	40	Dec. 31, 1998

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40 CFR Part 180

[PP 5E4590/P652; FRL-5363-5]

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Quizalofop Ethyl; Proposed Tolerance for Residues on Pineapple

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed Rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to establish a tolerance for the residues of the herbicide quizalofop-*p* ethyl ester and its acid metabolite quizalofop-*p* and the *S* enantiomers of both the ester and the acid, all expressed as quizalofop-*p*-ethyl ester, in or on the raw agricultural commodity pineapple. The proposed regulation to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of the herbicide was requested in a petition submitted by the Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR-4).

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket number [PP 5E4590/P652], must be received on or before May 28, 1996.

ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written comments to: 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, bring comments to: Rm. 1132 CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202. Comments and data may also be submitted to OPP 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 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number [PP 5E4590/P652]. Electronic comments on this proposed

rule may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found in the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section of this document.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this document may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). CBI should not be submitted through e-mail. Information marked as CBI 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 record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1132 at the Virginia address given above, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Hoyt L. Jamerson, Registration Division (7505W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St. SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Sixth Floor, Crystal Station #1, 2800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703) 308-8783, e-mail: jamerson.hoyt@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR-4), New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, P.O. Box 231, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 08903, has submitted pesticide petition (PP) 5E4590 to EPA on behalf of the Agricultural Experiment Station of Hawaii. This petition requests that the Administrator, pursuant to section 408(e) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(e), amend 40 CFR 180.441 by establishing a tolerance for combined residues of the herbicide quizalofop-*p* ethyl ester [ethyl (R)-(2-[4-((6-chloroquinoxalin-2-yl)oxy)phenoxy])propanoate], and its acid metabolite quizalofop-*p* [R-(2-[4-((6-chloroquinoxalin-2-yl)oxy)phenoxy])propanoic acid], and the *S* enantiomers of both the ester and the acid, all expressed as quizalofop-*p*-ethyl ester, in or on the raw agricultural commodity pineapple at 0.1 part per million (ppm). IR-4 proposed that use of quizalofop ethyl on pineapple be limited to Hawaii based on the geographical representation of the residue data submitted. Additional residue data will be required to expand the area of usage. Persons seeking geographically broader

registration should contact the Agency's Registration Division at the address provided above.

The scientific data submitted in the petition and other relevant material have been evaluated. The toxicological data considered in support of the proposed tolerance include:

1. Several acute toxicology studies placing technical-grade quizalofop ethyl in Toxicity Category III.

2. An 18-month carcinogenicity study with CD-1 mice fed diets containing 0, 2, 10, 80 and 320 ppm (equivalent to 0, 0.2, 1.5, 12, and 48 mg/kg/day) with no carcinogenic effects observed under the conditions of the study at levels up to and including 80 ppm. There was an elevated incidence of hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas combined in CD-1 male mice at the 320 ppm dose level, which exceeded the maximum tolerated dose (MTD).

3. A 2-year chronic toxicity/carcinogenicity study in rats fed diets containing 0, 25, 100 and 400 ppm (equivalent to 0, 0.9, 3.7, and 15.5 mg/kg/day for males and 0, 1.1, 4.6, and 18.6 mg/kg/day for females) with no carcinogenic effects observed under the conditions of the study. The no-observed-effect-level (NOEL) for systemic toxicity is established at 25 ppm (0.9 mg/kg/day) based on red blood cell destruction in males, and slight/minimal centrilobular enlargement of the liver in females at the 100 ppm dose level.

4. A 1-year feeding study in dogs fed diets containing 0, 0.625, 2.5, and 10 mg/kg/day with a NOEL of 10 mg/kg/day, the highest dose tested (HDT).

5. A developmental toxicity study in rats fed dosage levels of 0, 30, 100, and 300 mg/kg/day, with no developmental effects observed under the conditions of the study. The NOEL for maternal toxicity is established at 30 mg/kg/day.

6. A developmental toxicity study in rabbits fed dosage levels of 0, 7, 20, and 60 mg/kg/day with no developmental effects observed under the conditions of the study. The NOEL for maternal toxicity is established at 20 mg/kg/day based on decreases in food consumption and body weight gain at 60 mg/kg/day (HDT).

7. A two-generation reproduction study in rats fed diets containing 0, 25, 100 and 400 ppm (equivalent to 0, 1.25, 5, and 20 mg/kg/day with a NOEL for developmental toxicity at 25 ppm based on an increase in liver weight and increase in the incidence of eosinophilic changes in the liver at 100 ppm. The NOEL for parental toxicity is established at 100 ppm based on

decreased body weight and pre-mating weight gain in males at the 400 ppm dose level.

8. Mutagenicity data included gene mutation assays with *E. coli* and *S. typhimurium* (negative); DNA damage assays with *B. subtilis* (negative); and a chromosomal aberration test in Chinese hamster cells (negative). OPP's Health Effects Division, Carcinogenicity Peer Review Committee (CPRC) has evaluated the rat and mouse cancer studies for quizalofop ethyl along with other relevant short-term toxicity studies, mutagenicity studies, and structure-activity relationships. The CPRC has classified quizalofop ethyl as a Group D carcinogen (not classifiable as to human cancer potential). The Group D classification is based on an approximate doubling in the incidence of male mice liver tumors between controls and the high dose. This finding was not considered strong enough to warrant the classification of a Category C (possible human carcinogen); the increase was of marginal statistical significance, occurred at a high dose which exceeded the predicted MTD, and occurred in a study in which the concurrent control for liver tumors was somewhat low as compared to the historical controls, while the high dose control group was at the upper end of previous historical control groups. No new cancer studies are required for quizalofop ethyl at this time.

The Reference Dose (RfD) for quizalofop ethyl is calculated at 0.009 mg/kg of body weight/day. The RfD is based on the NOEL of 0.9 mg/kg/day from the 2-year rat feeding study, and a uncertainty factor of 100. The theoretical maximum residue contribution (TMRC) from existing tolerances and the proposed tolerance for pineapple utilizes 2.5 percent of the RfD for the overall U.S. population and 10.6 percent of the RfD for non-nursing infants (the population most highly exposed). EPA generally has no concern for dietary exposures below 100 percent of the RfD.

The nature of the residues in livestock is adequately understood. A bovine feeding study using quizalofop ethyl ester shows that finite residues will occur from the feeding of treated commodities or their processed feed items. The established tolerances in milk, and in fat, meat, and meat byproducts of cattle, goats, and hogs, horses and sheep are adequate to cover secondary residues resulting from this use on pineapple. Food and feed tolerances are not required in association with this action. EPA concludes that the results of a pineapple processing study show that residues of

quizalofop-*p* ethyl ester do not concentrate in the processed commodities juice or wet pulp (pineapple process residue).

The nature of the residue in pineapple is adequately understood for the purposes of this tolerance. An adequate analytical method (HPLC-UV) is available for enforcement purposes. Prior to its publication in the *Pesticide Analytical Manual*, Volume II (PAM II), the enforcement method is being made available in the interim to anyone who is interested in pesticide residue enforcement from: By mail, Calvin Furlow, Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Crystal Mall #2, Rm 1128, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202, telephone: 703-305-5805.

There are presently no actions pending against the continued registration of this chemical.

Based on the information and data considered, the Agency has determined that the tolerance established by amending 40 CFR part 180 would protect the public health. Therefore, it is proposed that the tolerance be established as set forth below.

Any person who has registered or submitted an application for registration of a pesticide, under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended, which contains any of the ingredients listed herein, may request within 30 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register that this rulemaking proposal be referred to an Advisory Committee in accordance with section 408(e) of the FFDCA.

A record has been established for this rulemaking under docket number [PP 5E4590/P652] (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 Room 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:

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.

The official record for this rulemaking, 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 rulemaking record which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official rulemaking record is the paper record maintained at the Virginia address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, Oct. 4, 1993), the Agency must determine whether the regulatory action is "significant" and therefore subject to all the requirements of the Executive Order (i.e., Regulatory Impact Analysis, review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)). Under section 3(f), the order defines "significant" as those actions likely to lead to a rule (1) having an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more, or adversely and materially affecting a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local or tribal governments or communities (also known as "economically significant"); (2) creating serious inconsistency or otherwise interfering with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) materially altering the budgetary impacts of entitlement, grants, user fees, or loan programs; or (4) raising novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order.

This action does not impose any enforceable duty, or contain any "unfunded mandates" as described in Title II of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4), or require prior consultation as specified by Executive Order 12875 (58 FR 58093, October 28, 1993), entitled Enhancing the Intergovernmental Partnership, or special consideration as required by Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

Pursuant to the terms of this Executive Order, EPA has determined that this rule is not "significant" and is therefore not subject to OMB review.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance

requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 16, 1996.

Peter Caulkins,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

Therefore, it is proposed that 40 CFR part 180 be amended as follows:

PART 180—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 180 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a and 371.

2. In § 180.441, by adding a new paragraph (d), to read as follows:

§ 180.441 Quizalofop ethyl; tolerances for residues.

(d) Tolerances with regional registration, as defined in § 180.1(n), are established for the combined residues of the herbicide quizalofop-*p* ethyl ester [ethyl (*R*)-(2-[4-((6-chloroquinoxalin-2-

yl)oxy)phenoxy]-propanoate], and its acid metabolite quizalofop-*p* [*R*-(2-(4-((6-chloroquinoxalin-2-yl)oxy)phenoxy)]propanoic acid], and the *S* enantiomers of both the ester and the acid, all expressed as quizalofop-*p* ethyl ester, in or on the following raw agricultural commodities:

Commodity	Parts per million
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Pineapple	0.1

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

44 CFR Part 67

[Docket No. FEMA-7164]

Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects a Notice of Proposed Modified Determinations of base (1% annual chance) flood elevations previously

published at 61 FR 6601 on February 21, 1996. This correction document provides a more accurate representation of the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map for the Town of Owego, Tioga County, New York.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael K. Buckley, P.E., Chief, Hazard Identification Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency gives notice of the correction to the Notice of Proposed Modified Determinations of base (1% annual chance) flood elevations for selected locations in the Town of Owego, previously published at 61 FR 6601 on February 21, 1996, in accordance with Section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-234), 87 Stat. 980, which added Section 1363 to the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (Pub. L. 90-448)), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 67.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 67

Flood Insurance, Floodplains.

On page 6605, in the February 21, 1996 issue of Federal Register, in the fourth, fifth, and sixth column, the first entry under "Owego (Town), Tioga County", is corrected to read as follows:

State	City/town/county	Source of flooding	Location	#Depth in feet above ground. *Elevation in feet (NGVD)	
				Existing	Modified
New York.	Owego (Town) Tioga County.	Susquehanna River.	Approximately 1.4 miles downstream of Apalachin Creek	*823	*822

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.100, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: April 17, 1996.

Richard W. Krimm,

Acting Associate Director for Mitigation.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 64

[WT Docket No. 96-86; DA 96-604]

Wireless Services; National Communications Services System Petition

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Petition for rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Commission seeks comment on a petition for rulemaking filed by the National Communications System requesting that the Commission adopt rules to provide "priority access" to cellular spectrum for National Security/Emergency Preparedness responsiveness. The action is taken to establish a record upon which to base a decision on this issue.

DATES: Comments are due on or before June 3, 1996, and reply comments are due on or before July 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert McNamara, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Private Wireless Division, (202) 418-0680.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Petition for Rulemaking Filed; Commission Seeks Comment on Petition for Rulemaking Filed by National Communications System

Comments Due: June 3, 1996; Replies Due: July 2, 1996

On October 19, 1995, the National Communications System ("NCS"), through the Secretary of Defense as an Executive Agent of the NCS, filed a Petition for Rulemaking requesting the Commission to adopt rules to provide "priority access" to cellular spectrum for National Security/Emergency Preparedness (NS/EP) responsiveness. Specifically, NCS requests that the Commission establish the Cellular Priority Access Service (CPAS).