

manufacturers, importers, and processors of this substance. In addition, records shall be kept identifying the foreign supplier and documenting, by lot, for each shipment, the method of manufacture and bulk density measurements. Records of bulk density measurements are required only when notification requirements are applicable.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 721

[OPPTS-50625, etc.; FRL-5595-1]

Proposed Revocation of Significant New Use Rules For Certain Acrylate Substances

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to revoke significant new use rules (SNURs) for 96 substances promulgated under section 5(a)(2) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for certain chemical substances based on new toxicity data. Based on the data, the Agency determined that it could no longer support a finding that activities not described in the TSCA section 5(e) consent order may result in significant changes in human exposure.

DATES: Written comments must be received by July 2, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Each comment must bear the appropriate docket control number OPPTS-50625, etc. All comments should be sent in triplicate to: OPPT Document Control Officer (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Room G-099, East Tower, Washington, DC 20460.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by following the instructions under Unit V of this preamble. No confidential business information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

All comments which are claimed confidential must be clearly marked as such. Three additional sanitized copies of any comments containing CBI must also be submitted. Nonconfidential versions of comments on this proposed rule will be placed in the rulemaking record and will be available for public inspection. Unit IV of this preamble

contains additional information on submitting comments containing CBI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** referenced for each substance, OPPTS-50581A, October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46001); OPPTS-50582, August 15, 1990 (55 FR 33303); OPPTS-50583, August 9, 1990 (55 FR 32414); OPPTS-50585, September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39899); OPPTS-50587A, June 5, 1991 (56 FR 25988); OPPTS-50591, April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19238); OPPTS-50592, August 13, 1991 (56 FR 40212); OPPTS-50601, September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44070); OPPTS-50603, July 20, 1992 (57 FR 31969); OPPTS-50608, June 8, 1993 (58 FR 32236); OPPTS-50612, October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51681); OPPTS-50613, October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51706); OPPTS-50615, May 27, 1994 (59 FR 27483); and OPPTS-50620, March 1, 1995 (60 FR 11042)(FRL-4868-4); EPA issued a SNUR establishing significant new uses for the substances listed in Unit II of this preamble. Because of additional data EPA has received for these substances, EPA is proposing to revoke the SNURs.

I. Proposed Revocations

EPA is proposing to revoke the significant new use and recordkeeping requirements for the following chemical substances under 40 CFR part 721, subpart E. In Unit II of this preamble, EPA provides a brief description for the substances, including its premanufacture notice (PMN) number, chemical name (generic name if the specific name is claimed as CBI), CAS number (if assigned), **Federal Register** reference, docket number, and the CFR citation removed in the regulatory text section of this proposed rule. Further background information for the substances is contained in the rulemaking record referenced in Unit III of this preamble.

II. Basis for Revocation of SNURs

While these rules were being promulgated, a voluntary testing program was being developed jointly by EPA and industry and was subsequently conducted by a group of acrylate manufacturers affected by acrylate regulation, the Specialty Acrylates Manufacturers (SAM). EPA and SAM negotiated this voluntary testing

program for this category of chemicals based on SAM's commitment to conduct toxicity testing for acrylate and methacrylate substances. The purpose of the testing program was to cooperatively supply test data to address EPA's health concerns for the acrylate category. SAM conducted several short-term studies on a series of acrylates and methacrylates and two long-term dermal bioassays on Triethylene Glycol Diacrylate (TREGDA) and Triethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (TREGDMA). TREGDA has previously been shown to be positive in a limited dermal carcinogenicity study. This testing was intended to correlate activity in certain short-term assays with longer-term carcinogenic potential, as well as to better characterize the toxicity of the acrylate chemical category generally.

After reviewing the test data generated by the voluntary testing program, including the long-term bioassays, EPA found that neither TREGDA nor TREGDMA were carcinogenic under the conditions of the studies. Based on the TREGDMA bioassay and data for other methacrylates, EPA no longer supports the carcinogenicity concern for methacrylates. However, in the case of TREGDA, the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) may not have been attained because skin irritation noted in the range finding studies was not present over the entire term of the bioassay. Therefore, because the MTD may not have been attained in the TREGDA study, and based on available data for other acrylates, EPA still has concerns that some acrylates may be carcinogenic after repeated application at higher doses.

Based on these findings EPA's regulation of the acrylates category under TSCA section 5(e) has changed. EPA no longer regulates these chemicals as a category for health concerns. However, if an acrylate or methacrylate substance is structurally similar to a substance for which EPA has positive toxicity data, EPA may regulate that substance under section 5(e) of TSCA based on its potential unreasonable risk. Henceforth this will be done on a case-by-case basis and is expected to effectively eliminate regulation of most acrylates and methacrylates for health concerns, especially higher molecular weight and polymeric substances. EPA will continue to evaluate the acrylate category for ecotoxicity. These substances often have low environmental releases during their manufacture, processing, and use which will continue to limit unreasonable risk findings under section 5(e) of TSCA for the environmental toxicity of this class of chemicals.

Despite the fact that EPA no longer expects to make a potential unreasonable risk finding under TSCA section 5(e) for most new acrylates and methacrylates, EPA still recommends the use of personal protective equipment for workers exposed to new or existing chemical acrylates and methacrylates. In the case of dermal exposure, impervious gloves and protective clothing are recommended, and in the case of inhalation exposure, an appropriate National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)-approved respirator or engineering controls to reduce or eliminate workplace exposures.

PMN Numbers P-84-176, P-84-180, P-84-181, P-84-182, P-84-183, P-84-184, P-84-341, P-84-342, P-84-343, P-84-344, and P-85-703

Chemical name: (generic) Certain acrylates.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: June 5, 1991 (56 FR 25988).

Docket number: OPPTS-50587A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.325.

PMN Number P-91-1464

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted diacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: June 8, 1993 (58 FR 32236).

Docket number: OPPTS-50608.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.370.

PMN Number P-85-415

Chemical name: (generic) Monoacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (58 FR 39901).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.390.

PMN Number P-89-423

Chemical name: (generic) Polyalkylpolysilazane, bis(substituted acrylate).

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46001).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.400.

PMN Number P-85-1013

Chemical name: (generic) Aliphatic diurethane acrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45997).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.415.

PMN Numbers P-85-296 and P-85-298

Chemical name: (generic) Amino acrylate monomers.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45997).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.460.

PMN Number P-92-1313

Chemical name: (generic) Aliphatic difunctional acrylic acid ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51681).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.470.

PMN Number P-86-387

Chemical name: (generic) Modified acrylic ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: August 9, 1990 (55 FR 32414).

Docket number: OPPTS-50583.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.490.

PMN Number P-86-1692

Chemical name: (generic) Benzene, substituted, alkyl acrylate derivative.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: August 15, 1990 (55 FR 33303).

Docket number: OPPTS-50582.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.1175.

PMN Number P-86-1739

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted benzenedicarboxylic acid, poly(alkyl acrylate) derivative.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39899).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.1575.

PMN Number P-89-424

Chemical name: (generic) Carbamic acid, (trialkylloxy silylalkyl)-substituted acrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45998).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.2050.

PMN Number P-92-1134

Chemical name: (generic) Cyclic phosphazene, methacrylate derivative.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51683).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.2170.

PMN Numbers P-85-1169 and 85-1170

Chemical name: (generic) Acid modified acrylated epoxide.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45999).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.2650.

PMN Number P-84-1167

Chemical name: (generic) Epoxy resin.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39905).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.2750.

PMN Number P-93-699

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted benzenedicarboxylic acid ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: May 27, 1994 (59 FR 27483).

Docket number: OPPTS-50615.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.2930.

PMN Number P-93-339

Chemical name: (generic) Methacrylic ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: March 1, 1995 (60 FR 11042).

Docket number: OPPTS-50620.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.3028.

PMN Number P-91-74

Chemical name: (generic) Propenoate-terminated alkyl substituted silyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: July 20, 1992 (57 FR 31968).

Docket number: OPPTS-50603.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.3120.

PMN Number P-88-2463

Chemical name: (generic) Trimethylolpropane fatty acid diacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45999).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.3640.

PMN Number P-88-1690

Chemical name: (generic) Monomethoxy neopentyl glycol propoxylate monoacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19238).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.3870.

PMN Number P-88-1691

Chemical name: (generic) Polyalkylene glycol alkyl ether acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19236).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4020.

PMN Number P-90-1636

Chemical name: (generic) Hexanedioic acid, polymer with 1,2-ethanediol and 1,6-diisocyanato-2,2,4(or 2,4,4)-trimethylhexane, 2-hydroxyethyl-acrylate-blocked.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: August 13, 1991 (56 FR 40212).

Docket number: OPPTS-50592.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4220.

PMN Number P-86-1088

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted hydroxyalkyl alkenoate, [1-oxo-2-propenyl]oxy] alkoxy] carbonylamino] substituted] aminocarbonyl]oxy-.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19237).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4400.

PMN Number P-89-507

Chemical name: (generic) Hydroxyalkyl methacrylate alkyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45999).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4780.

PMN Number P-87-147

Chemical name: (generic) 2-(2-Hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylbenzyl)-4-methyl-6-tert-butylphenyl methacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39901).

Docket number: OPPTS-50582.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4790.

PMN Number P-86-650

Chemical name: (generic) Methacrylic ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39900).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.4800.

PMN Number P-91-548

Chemical name: (generic) 2,5,8,10,13,-Pentaoxahexadec-15-enoic acid, 9,14-dioxo-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]ethyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51706).

Docket number: OPPTS-50613.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.5705.

PMN Number P-92-44

Chemical name: (generic) Acrylated epoxy phenolic resin.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51686).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.5910.

PMN Number P-86-164

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39902).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6500.

PMN Number P-89-726

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of adipic acid, alkanepolyol, alkyl-diisocyanatocarbomonocycle, hydroxyalkyl acrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39903).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6580.

PMN Number P-91-505

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of alkanedioic acid, methylenebiscarbomonocyclic diisocyanate, and alkylene glycols, hydroxyalkyl acrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44070).

Docket number: OPPTS-50601.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6640.

PMN Number P-88-854

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of alkenoic acid, substituted alkylacrylate sodium salt.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: June 26, 1990 (55 FR 26100).

Docket number: OPPTS-50580.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6700.

PMN Number P-89-77

Chemical name: (generic) Alkyldicarboxylic acids, polymers with alkanepolyol and TDI, alkanol blocked, acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45997).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6720.

PMN Number P-89-73

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of alkyl carbomonocycle diisocyanate with alkanepolyol polyacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46000).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6740.

PMN Number P-89-626

Chemical name: (generic) Alkylenebis (substituted carbomonocycle), epichlorohydrin, disubstituted heteromonocycle, acrylate polymer.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19237).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6760.

PMN Number P-88-1616

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of substituted alkylphenol formaldehyde and phthalic anhydride, acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: August 15, 1990 (55 FR 33307).

Docket number: OPPTS-50582.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6780.

PMN Number P-84-1167

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted bis(hydroxyalkane) polymer with epichlorohydrin, acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19236).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6840.

PMN Number P-88-2380

Chemical name: (generic) Bisphenol A, epichlorohydrin, methylenebis (substituted carbomonocycle), polyalkylene glycol, alkanol, methacrylate polymer.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45998).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6880.

PMN Number P-89-946

Chemical name: (generic) Caprolactone, polymer with hexamethylene diisocyanate, hydroxyalkyl acrylate ester, reaction products with substituted alkanedioic acid and metal heteromonocycle.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45998).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6940.

PMN Number P-90-584

Chemical name: (generic) E-Caprolactone, modified 2-hydroxyethyl acrylate monomer.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19235).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.6960.

PMN Number P-90-667

Chemical name: (generic) Formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl)oxirane 4,4'-(1-methyl ethylidene)bis[2,6-dibromophenol] and phenol, 2-methyl-2-propenoate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19237).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7040.

PMN Number P-84-938

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of hydroxyethyl acrylate and polyisocyanate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39903).
Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7080.

PMN Number P-91-11

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of isophorone diisocyanate, trimethylolpropane, polyalkanepolyol, disubstituted alkanes and hydroxyethyl acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: August 13, 1991 (56 FR 40214).
Docket number: OPPTS-50592.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7100.

PMN Number P-89-749

Chemical name: (generic) Methylenebis(4-isocyanato benzene), polymer with polycaprolactone triol and alkoxyated alkanepolyol, hydroxyalkyl methacrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46000).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7140.

PMN Number P-88-2566

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted oxide-alkylene polymer, methacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46000).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7180.

PMN Number P-91-937

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of disubstituted phthalate, dioxoheteropolycycle and methacrylic acid.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: July 20, 1992 (57 FR 31969).
Docket number: OPPTS-50603.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7240.

PMN Number P-90-1393

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenenitrile, polymer with 1,3-butadiene, 3-carboxy-1-cyano-1-methylpropyl-terminated, polymers with bisphenol A, epichlorohydrin, and 4,4'-(1-methylethylidene)bis[2,6-dibromophenol], dimethacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19240).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7300.

PMN Number P-90-668

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenenitrile, polymer with 1,3-butadiene, 3-carboxy-1-cyano-1-methylpropyl-terminated, polymers with epichlorohydrin, formaldehyde, and 4,4'-(1-methylethylidene)bis[2,6-dibromophenol], and phenol, 2-methyl-2-propenoate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19240).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7320.

PMN Number P-87-739

Chemical name: (generic) Polymer of styrene, substituted alkyl methacrylate, 2-ethylhexyl acrylate, methacrylic acid and substituted bis(benzene).

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39903).
Docket number: OPPTS-50582.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7340.

PMN Number P-91-1077

Chemical name: (generic) Acrylates of aliphatic polyol.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: June 8, 1993 (58 FR 32240).
Docket number: OPPTS-50608.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7370.

PMN Number P-85-718

Chemical name: (generic) Di(alkanepolyol) ether, polyacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19236).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7400.

PMN Number P-89-1072

Chemical name: (generic) Oxyalkanepolyol polyacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19239).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7420.

PMN Number P-84-27

Chemical name: (generic) Polyol carboxylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46001).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7460.

PMN Number P-84-814

Chemical name: (generic) Polysubstituted polyol.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46002).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7540.

PMN Number P-84-713

Chemical name: (generic) Alkoxyated alkane polyol, polyacrylate ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46001).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7560.

PMN Number P-86-346

Chemical name: (generic) Substituted acrylated alkoxyated alphatic polyol.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46002).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7580.

PMN Number P-84-274

Chemical name: (generic) Poly(oxy-1,4-butanediyl), α -(1-oxo-2-propenyl)- ω -[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]-.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46001).
Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7660.

PMN Number P-88-1211

Chemical name: (generic) Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), α -hydro- ω -hydroxy-, ether with 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol (3:1) di-2-propenoate methyl ether.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19239).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7680.

PMN Number P-86-588

Chemical name: (generic) Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), α -(2-methyl-1-oxo-2-propenyl)- ω -hydroxy-, C_{10-16} -alkyl ethers.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46002).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7740.

PMN Number P-86-554

Chemical name: (generic) Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), α -(1-oxo-2-propenyl)- ω -hydroxy-, C_{10-16} -alkyl ethers.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46002).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.7760.

PMN Number P-88-2180

Chemical name: (generic) Poly[oxy(methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)], α,α' -(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-propanediyl)bis[ω -oxiranymethoxy]-.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19239).
Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 721.7780

PMN Number P-85-118

Chemical name: (generic) Polyurethane.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39904).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 721.8075.

PMN Numbers P-93-37 and P-93-38

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, C_{18-26} and $C_{>20}$ alkyl esters.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51687).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8265.

PMN Number P-85-545

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 3-(dimethylamino)-2,2-dimethylpropyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39904).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8275.

PMN Number P-93-36

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, docosyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51687).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8290.

PMN Number P-87-930

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 2-hydroxy-butyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46002).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8300.

PMN Number P-87-931

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 1-(hydroxymethyl)-propyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46003).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8325.

PMN Number P-91-503

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 2-[[[(1-methylethoxy)carbonyl]amino]ethyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51708).

Docket number: OPPTS-50613.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8335.

PMN Number P-91-391

Chemical name: (generic) 2-Propenoic acid, 2-(2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl)ethyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44072).

Docket number: OPPTS-50601.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8375.

PMN Number P-85-547

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39904).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 40 CFR 8400.

PMN Number P-90-1825

Chemical name: (generic) 2-Propenoic acid, [[[[[1,3,3-trimethyl-5-[[[2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]ethoxy]carbonyl]amino]cyclohexyl]

methyl]amino]carbonyl]oxy]ethyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44072).

Docket number: OPPTS-50601.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8425.

PMN Number P-89-422

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 1,1-dimethylethyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46003).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8475.

PMN Number P-85-546

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl ester.
CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39904).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8525.

PMN Number P-85-544

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 7,7,9-trimethyl-4,13-dioxo-3,14-dioxo-5,12-diazahexadecane, 1,16-diyl ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39905).

Docket number: OPPTS-50585.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8550.

PMN Number P-89-1135

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, [octahydro-4,7-methano-1H-indene-1,5(1,6 or 2,5)-diyl]bis(methylene) ester.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19241).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8575.

PMN Number P-90-1285

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, octahydro-4,7-methano-1H-indenyl ester.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19241).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8600.

PMN Number P-92-1447

Chemical name: (generic) 2-propenoic acid, reaction product with 2-oxepanone and alkyltriol.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51687).

Docket number: OPPTS-50612.
CFR number: 40 CFR 721.8650.

PMN Number P-89-1081

Chemical name: (generic) Reaction product of alkyl carboxylic acids, alkane

polyols, alkyl acrylate, and isophorone diisocyanate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: April 25, 1991 (56 FR 19238).

Docket number: OPPTS-50591.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9240.

PMN Number P-86-832

Chemical name: (generic) Reaction product of hydroxyethyl acrylate and methyl oxirane.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46000).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9320.

PMN Number P-88-701

Chemical name: (generic) Reaction product of a monoalkyl succinic anhydride with an ω -hydroxy methacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 45999)

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9360.

PMN Number P-90-1338

Chemical name: (generic)

Polymethylcarbomonocycle, reaction product with 2-hydroxyethyl acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44074)

Docket number: OPPTS-50601

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9420.

PMN Number P-85-296

Chemical name: (generic) Silicone ester polyacrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 4, 1993 (58 FR 51687)

Docket number: OPPTS-50612

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9510.

PMN Number P-91-1153

Chemical name: (generic) Acrylate substituted siloxanes and silicones.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44074)

Docket number: OPPTS-50601

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9525.

PMN Number P-84-358

Chemical name: (generic) Unsaturated organic compound.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 28, 1990 (55 FR 39901)

Docket number: OPPTS-50585

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9870.

PMN Number P-85-301

Chemical name: (generic) Urethane acrylate.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: October 31, 1990 (55 FR 46003).

Docket number: OPPTS-50581A.

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9940.

PMN Number P-91-389

Chemical name: (generic)

Zirconium(IV), [2,2-bis[(2-propenyloxy)methyl]-1-butanolato-01,02]tris(2-propenoato-O-)-.

CAS number: Not available.

Federal Register publication date and reference: September 23, 1992 (57 FR 44075)

Docket number: OPPTS-50601

CFR number: 40 CFR 721.9975.

III. Background and Rationale for Revocation of the Rule

During review of the PMNs submitted for the chemical substances that are the subject of this revocation, EPA concluded that regulation was warranted based on the fact that activities not described in the section 5(e) consent order may result in significant changes in human exposure. Based on these findings, SNURs were promulgated.

EPA will revoke the section 5(e) consent orders that are the basis for these SNURs and has determined that it can no longer support a finding that activities not described in the section 5(e) consent order may result in significant changes in human exposure. The proposed revocation of SNUR provisions for these substances designated herein is consistent with this finding.

In light of the above, EPA is proposing to revoke the SNUR provisions for these chemical substances. When this revocation becomes final, EPA will no longer require notice of any company's intent to manufacture, import, or process these substances. In addition, export notification under section 12(b) of TSCA will no longer be required.

IV. Comments Containing Confidential Business Information

Any person who submits comments claimed as CBI must mark the comments as "confidential," "trade secret," or other appropriate designation. Comments not claimed as confidential at the time of submission will be placed in the public file. Any comments marked as confidential must prepare and submit a public version of the comments that EPA can place in the public file.

V. Rulemaking Record

The official record for this rulemaking, as well as the public version, has been established for this rulemaking under docket number OPPTS-50625, etc. (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 confidential business information (CBI), is available for inspection from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official rulemaking record is located in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Rm. NE-B607, 401 M St. SW., Washington, DC.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:

oppt-ncic@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 OPPTS-50625, etc. Electronic comments on this proposed rule may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

VI. Regulatory Assessment

This final rule revokes or eliminates existing regulatory requirements and does not contain any new or amended requirements. As such, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted these types of actions from review under Executive Order 12866, entitled Regulatory Planning and Review (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993). Since this final rule does not impose any requirements, it does not contain any information collections subject to approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, or require any other action under Title II of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (UMRA)(Pub. L. 104-4). Nor does it require any prior consultation as specified by Executive Order 12875, entitled Enhancing the Intergovernmental Partnership (58 FR 58093, October 28, 1993), or special considerations as required by Executive Order 12898, entitled Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

Pursuant to section 605(b) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA)(5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Agency hereby certifies that any revocation or

elimination of a SNUR, such as this final rule, will not ever have a significant adverse economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This determination, which is applicable to all such SNUR actions, is based on the fact that this type of Agency action eliminates an existing requirement and does not impose any new requirements. It therefore does not have any adverse economic impacts. This generic certification for SNUR revocations will be incorporated by reference in future individual SNUR revocations. In addition, this determination will be provided to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration.

VII. Submission to Congress and the General Accounting Office

Under 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A), as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, the Agency has submitted a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the General Accounting Office prior to publication of this rule in today's **Federal Register**. This is not a major rule as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 721

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Hazardous materials, Recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

Dated: May 15, 1997.

William H. Sanders, III

Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

Therefore, it is proposed that 40 CFR part 721 be amended as follows:

PART 721—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 721 would continue to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 2604, 2607, and 2625(c).

§§ 721.325, 721.370, 721.390, 721.400, 721.415, 721.460, 721.470, 721.490, 721.1175, 721.1575, 721.2050, 721.2170, 721.2650, 721.2750, 721.2930, 721.3028, 721.3120, 721.3640, 721.3870, 721.4020, 721.4220, 721.4400, 721.4780, 721.4790, 721.4800, 721.5705, 721.5910, 721.6500, 721.6580, 721.6640, 721.6700, 721.6720, 721.6740, 721.6760, 721.6780, 721.6840, 721.6880, 721.6940, 721.6960, 721.7040, 721.7080, 721.7100, 721.7140, 721.7180, 721.7240, 721.7300, 721.7320, 721.7340, 721.7370, 721.7400, 721.7420, 721.7460, 721.7540, 721.7560, 721.7580, 721.7660, 721.7680, 721.7740, 721.7760, 721.7780, 721.8075, 721.8265, 721.8275, 721.8290, 721.8300, 721.8325, 721.8335, 721.8375, 721.8400, 721.8425, 721.8475, 721.8525, 721.8550, 721.8575, 721.8600, 721.8650, 721.9240, 721.9320, 721.9360, 721.9420, 721.9510, 721.9525, 721.9870, 721.9940, 721.9975 [Removed]

2. By removing §§ 721.325, 721.370, 721.390, 721.400, 721.415, 721.460, 721.470, 721.490, 721.1175, 721.1575, 721.2050, 721.2170, 721.2650, 721.2750, 721.2930, 721.3028, 721.3120, 721.3640, 721.3870, 721.4020, 721.4220, 721.4400, 721.4780, 721.4790, 721.4800, 721.5705, 721.5910, 721.6500, 721.6580, 721.6640, 721.6700, 721.6720, 721.6740, 721.6760, 721.6780, 721.6840, 721.6880, 721.6940, 721.6960, 721.7040, 721.7080, 721.7100, 721.7140, 721.7180, 721.7240, 721.7300, 721.7320, 721.7340, 721.7370, 721.7400, 721.7420, 721.7460, 721.7540, 721.7560, 721.7580, 721.7660, 721.7680, 721.7740, 721.7760, 721.7780, 721.8075, 721.8265, 721.8275, 721.8290, 721.8300, 721.8325, 721.8335, 721.8375, 721.8400, 721.8425, 721.8475, 721.8525, 721.8550, 721.8575, 721.8600, 721.8650, 721.9240, 721.9320, 721.9360, 721.9420, 721.9510, 721.9525, 721.9870, 721.9940, and 721.9975.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[I.D. 052097C]

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Petition for Rulemaking for Redistribution of the Summer Flounder Quota

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of petition for rulemaking; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces receipt of, and requests public comment on, a petition for rulemaking on the distribution to the states of the annual

commercial quota for summer flounder. The State of Connecticut, Commissioner of Environmental Protection, has petitioned the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to adopt a commercial allocation of either 2 winter coastwide periods and a state-by-state summer period or a coastwide allocation system for all three periods (two winter periods and a summer period).

DATES: Comments on the petition are requested on or before August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the petition for rulemaking are available upon request from Gary C. Matlock, Ph.D., Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments on the petition should be directed to Dr. Gary C. Matlock at the above address. Please mark the outside of the envelope "State of Connecticut Petition for Rulemaking."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark R. Millikin, 301-713-2341.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The fishery affected by this petition for rulemaking is the summer flounder fishery, which is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries. The Secretary has management authority for this species group under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The management unit for this fishery is summer flounder (*Paralichthys dentatus*) in U.S. waters of the Atlantic Ocean from the southern border of North Carolina northward to the U.S.-Canada border. Implementing regulations for the fishery are found at 50 CFR part 648, subparts A and G.

The current method of allocating the annual commercial quota for summer flounder is on a state-by-state basis. The quota is apportioned among the states based on historical commercial landings averaged over the period 1980-89. The quota applies throughout the management unit; that is, all commercial landings in a state are attributed to that state's quota for a given year, regardless of where the summer flounder are harvested. The proportion of the coastwide quota that an individual state receives is the same each year, but the total amount varies from year to year, as the coastwide quota varies. Overages in a state's quota allocation in the prior year are deducted from that state's allocation in the following year.

The Connecticut petition proposes that the current state-specific allocation of the commercial quota for summer flounder be eliminated and that a