

- Describe any assumptions that you used.
- Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
- If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate.
- Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
- Offer alternative ways to improve the rule or collection activity.
- Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
- At the beginning of your comments, be sure to properly identify the document you are commenting on. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

D. Are There Issues on Which EPA is Particularly Interested in Receiving Comment?

Comments are encouraged on any aspect of the Pesticide Registration Notice mentioned in this notice. EPA is particularly interested in comments on the following matters:

1. Is EPA's definition of closed systems and closed cabs too broad or too specific? Should EPA adopt the same standards as California for closed systems?
2. What technologies are available or under development to reduce exposure to occupational users in green houses and during orchard applications? Are there other agricultural applications for which closed cabs are not currently feasible?
3. The Pesticide Registration Notice gives one example of the industry moving toward automated or technological replacements for human occupational users (the substitution of Geographic Positioning Systems (GPS) or mechanical flaggers for human flaggers in aerial applications). Are there other examples where agricultural work functions could be automated?
4. In many cases, existing re-entry intervals (REIs) for organophosphate pesticide uses may be inadequate. Where feasible, EPA will seek to extend re-entry intervals, however, there are practical limits on the length of re-entry intervals. What other measures should EPA consider to protect occupational users re-entering treated fields? Is testing/monitoring of plant residues prior to harvest practical?
5. For retained uses where exposure to occupational users is still a concern, EPA may require biological monitoring

for occupational user populations of concern. As many organophosphate pesticide uses are of concern, what is the most efficient approach to monitoring occupational user populations?

IV. What Action is EPA Taking in this Notice?

This notice announces the availability for public comment of a Pesticide Registration Notice that presents EPA's proposed approach for managing risks from organophosphate pesticides to occupational users. The approach described in this notice applies to both workers and handlers as defined by the Worker Protection Standard (WPS), and other persons not specifically covered by WPS, who nonetheless perform similar activities and are exposed to pesticides in a similar manner. The proposed risk management approach that is outlined in this Pesticide Registration Notice would be used in developing the individual organophosphate pesticide occupational risk management decisions, which will be proposed for public comment as part of the pilot public participation process that EPA and Department of Agriculture (USDA) are now using for involving the public in the reassessment of pesticide tolerances under the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA), and the reregistration of individual organophosphate pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). The pilot public participation process was developed as part of the EPA-USDA Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee (TRAC), which was established in April 1998, as a subcommittee under the auspices of EPA's National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology. A goal of the pilot public participation process is to find a more effective way for the public to participate at critical junctures in the Agency's development of organophosphate pesticide risk assessments and risk management decisions. EPA and USDA began implementing this pilot process in August 1998, to increase transparency and opportunities for stakeholder consultation.

The Agency is proposing this approach for managing risk to occupational users of organophosphate pesticide products at this time because the organophosphate pesticide occupational risk assessments developed thus far indicate, with few exceptions, that risk management measures beyond those specified by the Worker Protection Standard (40 CFR part 170) will be needed to adequately

protect occupational users of these products. In many cases, the organophosphate pesticide risk assessments show that even when the maximum feasible protective clothing and engineering controls are used, risks to occupational users still exceed the Agency's levels of concern. In such instances, EPA is required by FIFRA to weigh these risks against the benefits of the pesticide's use. The Agency is outlining its proposed decision process in this notice because early notification to registrants will help to ensure that occupational risk management decisions for the organophosphate pesticides will be approached consistently and implemented equitably. The Agency also believes this early notification will encourage the voluntary adoption of measures to reduce risks to occupational users as soon as possible.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

Marcia E. Mulkey,

Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34192; FRL-6097-9]

Neurotoxic Pesticides; Availability of Data Call-In Notice

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is requiring registrants of neurotoxic pesticides to conduct acute, subchronic, and developmental neurotoxicity studies and submit the results to EPA. These studies are designed to show the effects of a chemical on the nervous system. EPA will issue Data Call-In Notices to registrants of all neurotoxic pesticides in phases over time, beginning with the cholinesterase-inhibiting organophosphates because of their known neurotoxicity concerns. EPA expects to receive the first studies within 2 years. This Data Call-In program was developed with the advice of the Children's Health Advisory Committee and the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Scientific Advisory Panel.

DATES: The Data Call-In Notice will be available October 5, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-34192 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Angulo, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone numbers: (703) 308-8004 and fax number: (703) 308-8005; e-mail address: angulo.karen@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this notice if you manufacture or formulate pesticides. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS	Examples of potentially affected entities
Pesticide producers	32532	Pesticide manufacturers Pesticide formula-tors

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed could also be affected. If available, the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this notice affects certain entities. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this announcement to you, consult the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

A. Electronically

You may obtain electronic copies of this document and other related documents from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental

Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

To obtain electronic copies of the Neurotoxicity Data Call-In Notice mentioned in this notice, you can go directly to the Home Page for the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/>.

B. In Person

The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-34192. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as CBI. This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

III. How Can I Respond to this Action?

A. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-34192 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division, Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The Document Control Office (DCO) is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically by e-mail to: "opp-docket@epa.gov," or you can submit a computer disk as described in this unit. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPP-34192. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

B. How Should I Handle CBI Information that I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI 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. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

IV. What Action is EPA Taking in this Notice?

EPA is requiring registrants of neurotoxic pesticides to conduct acute, subchronic, and developmental neurotoxicity studies and submit the results to EPA. These studies are designed to show the effects on the nervous system of a chemical with a one-time or very short-term dose (acute), with exposure over an extended period of time (sub-chronic), and before or shortly after birth (developmental). The data developed in response to this Data Call-In will help determine whether or not differences occur because of age or stage of nervous system development. (The differences could be measurable (or quantitative) or descriptive (qualitative)). EPA will use these data in making decisions in the implementation of certain aspects of the Food Quality Protection Act's (FQPA) tolerance-setting process.

EPA is implementing the Data Call-In in phases over the next several months to ensure that data from the highest priority neurotoxic pesticides are called in first and that the laboratory capacity available to pesticide registrants is adequate to perform the studies within the required timeframes. This program to call in data will apply to approximately 140 pesticides. The cholinesterase-inhibiting organophosphates have been selected to be the first chemical class to be called in, based on their known neurotoxicity concerns. EPA expects to receive the first studies within 2 years. This Data Call-In program was developed with the advice of the Children's Health Advisory Committee and the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Scientific Advisory Panel.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

Lois A. Rossi,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6407-9]

Proposed Administrative Settlement Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act—Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed Site, Lewis and Clark County and Jefferson County, Montana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended (CERCLA), concerning the Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed site in Lewis and Clark County and Jefferson County, Montana (Site). The proposed settlement agreement (Agreement) requires the Chapter 7 bankruptcy estates of Pegasus Gold Montana Mining, Inc. (PGMMI) and Pangea Explorations, Inc. (PEI) to transfer an environmental protection easement and dedication of restrictive uses to property

within the Basin Creek Mine, located within the Site, to Lewis and Clark County of the benefit of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). EPA intends to use a portion of the property, known as the Luttrell Pit, for a mine waste repository for abandoned mine removal actions which will be undertaken pursuant to EPA's CERCLA authorities.

The settlement resolves the Estates' CERCLA liability for the Luttrell Pit. Because of the Estates' obligations to reclaim the Basin Creek Mine pursuant to the Montana Metal Mine Reclamation Act, Mont. Code Ann. section 82-4-301 *et seq.*, the State of Montana, acting by and through the Department of Environmental Quality, is a party to the Agreement. Additionally, the Agreement is subject to the approval of the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada.

DATES: For a period of ten (10) days from the date of publication of this document, the public may submit comments to EPA relating to this proposed settlement.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA Superfund Record Center, 999 18th Street, 5th Floor, North Tower, Denver, Colorado, (303) 312-6473. Comments should be addressed to Carol J. Pokorny, Enforcement Specialist, (8ENF-T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, and should reference the Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed site Basin Creek Mine Agreement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Bohan, Enforcement Attorney, at (303) 312-6925.

Dated: July 12, 1999.

Andrew Michael Gaydosh,

Acting Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice, Region VIII.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6407-8]

Proposed Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)—Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed Site, Lewis and Clark County and Jefferson County, MT

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) concerning the Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed Site, in Lewis and Clark and Jefferson Counties, Montana (the "Site"). Under the Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue (Agreement), Lewis and Clark County will acquire an environmental protection easement to a portion of the Site for the benefit of EPA. Lewis and Clark County does not intend to use the property as a repository for waste excavated from abandoned miles.

DATES: For a period of ten (10) days from the date of publication of this document, the public may submit comments to EPA relating to the Agreement. Copies of the Agreement may be obtained from the Superfund Records Center at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: The Agreement is available for public inspection at the EPA Superfund Records Center, 999 18th Street, 5th Floor, North Tower, Denver, Colorado. Comments should be addressed to Carol Pokorny, Technical Enforcement Program, (8ENF-T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, and should reference the Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed Site Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue with Lewis and Clark County.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Bohan, Legal Enforcement Program, at 303/312-6925.

Dated: July 12, 1999.

Andrew Michael Gaydosh,

Acting Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice, Region VIII.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

Special Executive Session

Date & Time: Wednesday, August 4, 1999, 10:00 a.m.

Place: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC

Status: This meeting will be closed to the public pursuant to 11 CFR 2.4(b)(7).