

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-181065A; FRL-6059-3]

Malathion and Diazinon; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption, Solicitation of Public Comment Period; Extension of Comment Period**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is extending the public comment period related to the consideration of a section 18 quarantine exemption request submitted to the Agency by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the use of the pesticides malathion and diazinon to treat areas in Florida where nonindigenous subtropical fruit flies (various species in the family Tephritidae) are discovered. The public may directly review the materials submitted in support of the subject emergency exemption application at the EPA's Pesticide Public Docket or through the main branch of the Tampa-Hillsborough County Library. The comment period is extended for an additional 30 days.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to EPA by March 26, 1999.
ADDRESSES: By mail, submit written 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. In person, deliver comments to: Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epa.gov. Follow the instructions under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this document 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 record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public docket by EPA without prior notice. The public docket is available for public inspection in Rm. 119 at the Virginia address given in this unit, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Daniel J. Rosenblatt, Office of Pesticide Programs (7505C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Crystal Mall #2, Rm. 280, 1921 Jefferson-Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703-308-9375); e-mail: rosenblatt.dan@epamail.epa.gov. The emergency exemption application is also available for public inspection in the Special Collection Department of the main library of the Tampa-Hillsborough County Library system located at 900 N. Ashley, Tampa, Florida, (813-273-3629).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA issued a notice published in the **Federal Register** of December 9, 1998 (63 FR 67880)(FRL-6047-8) which solicited public comment on the section 18 quarantine exemption request which was submitted to the Agency by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the use of the pesticides malathion and diazinon to treat areas in Florida where nonindigenous subtropical fruit flies (various species in the family Tephritidae) are discovered.

EPA is evaluating the quarantine exemption request under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant") to use the pesticides malathion (CAS No. 121-75-5), formulated as Fyfanon ULV (EPA Registration Numbers 4787-8 and 51036-104 and diazinon (CAS No. 333-41-5), formulated as Diazinon 4-E (EPA Registration Number 769-687) at this time. The purpose of this notice is to extend the period for public comment about how the Agency should respond to the emergency exemption application from the Applicant.

In the past years, severe infestations of the Mediterranean fruit fly (*Ceratitis capitata*) has been discovered in Florida. The Mediterranean fruit fly is a destructive pest capable of damaging a wide range of important agricultural crops. In order to ensure that the Mediterranean fruit fly does not become established in Florida, the Applicant and the State of Florida have undertaken emergency eradication programs to combat each outbreak.

The section 18 request under consideration by the Agency involves use of the pesticides in eradication programs, the release of sterile Mediterranean fruit flies, and numerous other exclusion and detection activities in order to help ensure that this pest species does not become established.

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been

established for this notice under docket control number [OPP-181065A] (including comments and data submitted electronically as described in this unit). 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 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. The official notice record is located at the Virginia address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at: opp-docket@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 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number [OPP-181065A]. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Emergency exemptions.

Dated: February 16, 1999.

Peter Caulkings,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**Annual Report on Endangered Species Act Exemption**

AGENCY: Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President.

ACTION: Availability of report.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the Annual Report submitted by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, as Project Manager for the Missouri Basin Power Project in the matter of an exemption granted from the requirements of the Endangered Species Act to Grayrocks Dam. The lead federal agency in the project is the Rural Electrification Administration.

DATES: The report was submitted to the Council in November, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The Annual Report is available from Basin Electric Power Cooperative, 1717 East Interstate Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58501-0564; Telephone: (701) 223-0441.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dinah Bear, General Counsel, Council on Environmental Quality, 722 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503; Telephone: (202) 395-7421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Endangered Species Act, any agency granted an exemption under 16 U.S.C. 1536(h) must submit to the Council on Environmental Quality an annual report describing its compliance methods with the mitigation and enhancement measures prescribed by 16 U.S.C. 1536. See 16 U.S.C. 1536(l)(2). This subsection further requires that the Council publish availability of the report in the **Federal Register**.

On February 7, 1979, the Endangered Species Committee granted an exemption from the requirements of the Endangered Species Act to Grayrocks Dam. In granting the Exemption Order, the Committee, as required by the act, established requirements for reasonable mitigation and enhancement measures. These requirements are set out in an "Agreement of Settlement and Compromise" and is part of the Annual Report announced here.

Dated: February 9, 1999.

George T. Frampton,
Acting Chair.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION BILLING CODE: 6715-01-M

DATE & TIME: TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1999 AT 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATUS: THIS MEETING WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g. Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 427g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

DATE & TIME: THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1999 AT 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. (NINTH FLOOR)

STATUS: THIS MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Correction and Approval of Minutes. Advisory Opinion 1999-02 Premera Blue Cross by Barbara Mehlert. Report of the Audit Division on Clinton/Gore '96 Primary Committee, Inc. Report of the Audit Division on Clinton/Gore '96 General Committee, Inc. and Clinton/Gore '96 General Election Legal and Accounting Compliance Fund. Report of the Audit Division on the Dole for President Committee, Inc. (Primary). Report of the Audit Division on the Dole/Kemp '96 and Dole/Kemp Compliance Committee, Inc. (General). Legislative Recommendations, 1999. Administrative Matters.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Signed:

Marjorie W. Emmons,
Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License; Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

Elle International, Inc., 1981 Surrey Hill Circle, Lawrenceville, GA 30044, Officers: Lisa Riley, C.E.O., Donald Sooy, Director

Dated: February 19, 1999.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

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Ambyth Shipping Micronesia, Inc.,

d/b/a Intermodal Cargo Forwarders, Westpac Bldg., Puerto Rico, P.O. Box 3681-CK, Saipan, MP 96950, Officers: Alfred K.Y. Lam, President, Gregory R. David, Vice President

Dated: February 19, 1999.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than March 11, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *LeRoy L. Gray*, Fairbank, Iowa; to acquire additional voting shares of Evans Bancshares, Inc., Evansdale, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of First Security State Bank, Evansdale, Iowa.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 19, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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