

## XI. Codex Harmonization

No Codex maximum residue levels (MRLs) have been established for propanil; therefore, issues of compatibility between Codex MRLs and U.S. tolerances do not exist.

### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests, Risk assessment and tolerance reassessment.

Dated: May 20, 2002.

Lois A. Rossi,

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0065; FRL-7177-4]

### Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish a Tolerance for a Certain Pesticide Chemical in or on Food

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of a certain pesticide chemical in or on various food commodities.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by docket control number OPP-2002-0065, must be received on or before July 5, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-2002-0065 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Sidney Jackson, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-7610; e-mail address: jackson.Sidney@epa.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. General Information

##### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and

entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Industry	111 112 311  32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufacturing

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 in the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," 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/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-2002-0065. 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 confidential business information (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 the Public

Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, 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.

#### C. 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-2002-0065 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 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](mailto:opp-docket@epa.gov), or you can submit a computer disk as described above. 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 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPP-2002-0065. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

#### D. How Should I Handle CBI 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 identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### *E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?*

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
7. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to 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.

#### **II. What Action is the Agency Taking?**

EPA has received a pesticide petition as follows proposing the establishment and/or amendment of regulations for residues of a certain pesticide chemical in or on various food commodities under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a. EPA has determined that this petition contains data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data support granting of the petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petition.

#### **List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: May 17, 2002.

**Robert Forrest,**

*Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.*

#### **III. Summary of Petition**

The petitioner summary of the pesticide petition is printed below as required by section 408(d)(3) of the FFDCA. The summary of the petition was prepared by Valent U.S.A. Corporation, P.O. Box 8025, Walnut Creek, CA 94596-8025 and represents the view of Valent U.S.A. Corporation. EPA is publishing the petition summary verbatim without editing it in any way. The petition summary announces the availability of a description of the analytical methods available to EPA for the detection and measurement of the pesticide chemical residues or an explanation of why no such method is needed.

*PP 1E6272, 1E6285, and 2E6353*

EPA has received pesticide petitions (PP) 1E6272, 1E6285, and 2E6353 from the Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4), Technology Centre of New Jersey, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, 681 U.S. Highway No. 1 South, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-3390 proposing, pursuant to section 408(d) of the FFDCA, 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing tolerances for residues of pyriproxyfen, 2-[1-methyl-2-(4-phenoxyphenoxy)ethoxy]pyridine, in or on the raw agricultural commodities as follows:

1. PP 1E6272 proposes tolerances for lychee, longan, Spanish lime, rambutan, and pulasan at 0.3 parts per million (ppm).
2. PP 1E6285 proposes tolerances for guava, feijoa, jaboticaba, wax jambu, starfruit, passionfruit, and acerola at 0.1 ppm, and
3. PP 2E6353 proposes tolerances for Bushberry subgroup 13 B at 1.0 ppm and lingonberry, junberry, and salal at 1.0 ppm.

EPA has determined that the petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2) of the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting of the petitions. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petitions. Pyriproxyfen is manufactured by Sumitomo Chemical Company, represented in the United States by Valent U.S.A. Corporation.

#### *A. Residue Chemistry*

1. *Plant metabolism.* Metabolism of <sup>14</sup>C-pyriproxyfen labelled in the phenoxyphenyl ring and in the pyridyl ring has been studied in cotton, apples, tomatoes, lactating goats, laying hens and rats. The major metabolic pathways in plants is aryl hydroxylation and cleavage of the ether linkage, followed by further metabolism into more polar products by further oxidation and/or conjugation reactions. However, the bulk of the radiochemical residue on raw agricultural commodities (RAC) samples remained as parent. Comparing metabolites detected and quantified from cotton, apple, tomato, goat, hen and rat shows that there are no significant aglycones in plants which are not also present in the excreta or tissues of animals. The residue of concern is best defined as the parent, pyriproxyfen.

Ruminant and poultry metabolism studies demonstrated that transfer of administered <sup>14</sup>C-residues to tissues was low. Total <sup>14</sup>C-residues in goat milk, muscle and tissues accounted for less than 2% of the administered dose, and were less than 1 ppm in all cases. In poultry, total <sup>14</sup>C residues in eggs, muscle and tissues accounted for about 2.7% of the administered dose, and were less than 1 ppm in all cases except for gizzard.

2. *Analytical method.* Practical analytical methods for detecting and measuring levels of pyriproxyfen (and relevant metabolites) have been developed and validated in/on all appropriate agricultural commodities, respective processing fractions, milk, animal tissues, and environmental samples. The extraction methodology has been validated using aged radiochemical residue samples from metabolism studies. The methods have been validated in cottonseed, apples, soil, and oranges at independent laboratories. EPA has successfully validated the analytical methods for analysis of cottonseed, pome fruit, nutmeats, almond hulls, and fruiting vegetables. The limit of detection of pyriproxyfen in the methods is 0.01 ppm which will allow monitoring of food with residues at the levels proposed for the tolerances.

3. *Magnitude of residues*—i. *Lychee.* Three lychee field residue trials were conducted in 1998 in EPA Region 13. Each field site received two pyriproxyfen applications at 0.11 lb active ingredient/acre (a.i./A), with an interval of 10 to 11 days between applications, and a preharvest interval of 11 to 13 days. Pyriproxyfen residues on treated lychee samples ranged from

0.0759 to 0.272 ppm. These data support a tolerance for pyriproxyfen in or on lychee of 0.3 ppm.

ii. *Guava*. Three guava field residue trials were conducted in 1999 in EPA Region 13. Each field site received two pyriproxyfen applications at 0.11 lb a.i./A, with an interval of 13 days between applications, and a pre-harvest interval of 14 to 15 days. Pyriproxyfen residues on treated guava samples ranged from <0.025 to 0.055 ppm. The data support a tolerance for pyriproxyfen in or on guava of 0.1 ppm.

iii. *Blueberry*. Eight blueberry field residue trials were conducted in 1999. Three trials were conducted in EPA Region 2, three trials in EPA Region 5, one trial in EPA Region 1, and one trial in EPA Region 12. Each field site received two pyriproxyfen applications at 0.1 lb ai/A with a retreatment interval ranging between 13 to 15 days. At seven trial locations samples were collected 6 to 8 days after the last application. At one trial location, samples were collected at 2, 7, 10, 14 and 21 days after the last application. Pyriproxyfen residues ranged from 0.14 ppm to 0.64 ppm for treated samples collected 6 to 8 days after the last application. In the residue decline study, pyriproxyfen residues ranged from 0.10 ppm to 0.22 ppm in treated samples collected at the first three sampling intervals, declining to as low as 0.03 ppm after 21 days after the last application. These data support a tolerance for pyriproxyfen in or on blueberries and commodities within the bushberry subgroup of 1.0 ppm.

#### B. Toxicological Profile

An assessment of toxic effects caused by pyriproxyfen is discussed in Unit III.A. and Unit III.B. of the **Federal Register** dated April 4, 2001, (FRL-6772-4) (66 FR 17883).

1. *Animal metabolism*. The absorption, tissue distribution, metabolism and excretion of <sup>14</sup>C-labeled pyriproxyfen were studied in rats after single oral doses of 2 or 1,000 milligrams/kilograms body weight (mg/kg bw) (phenoxyphenyl and pyridyl label), and after a single oral dose of 2 mg/kg bw, phenoxyphenyl label only, following 14 daily oral doses at 2 mg/kg bw of unlabelled material. For all dose groups, most (88–96%) of the administered radiolabel was excreted in the urine and feces within two days after radiolabeled test material dosing, and 92–98% of the administered dose was excreted within seven days. Seven days after dosing, tissue residues were generally low, accounting for no more than 0.3% of the dosed <sup>14</sup>C. Radiocarbon concentrations in fat were the higher than in other tissues analyzed. Recovery

in tissues over time indicates that the potential for bioaccumulation is minimal. There were no significant sex or dose-related differences in excretion or metabolism.

2. *Metabolite toxicology*. Metabolism studies of pyriproxyfen in rats, goats and hens, as well as the fish bioaccumulation study demonstrate that the parent is very rapidly metabolized and eliminated. In the rat, most (88–96%) of the administered radiolabel was excreted in the urine and feces within 2 days of dosing, and 92–98% of the administered dose was excreted within 7 days. Tissue residues were low 7 days after dosing, accounting for no more than 0.3% of the dosed <sup>14</sup>C. Because parent and metabolites are not retained in the body, the potential for acute toxicity from in situ formed metabolites is low. The potential for chronic toxicity is adequately tested by chronic exposure to the parent at the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) and consequent chronic exposure to the internally formed metabolites.

Seven metabolites of pyriproxyfen, 4'-OH-pyriproxyfen, 5''-OH-pyriproxyfen, desphenyl-pyriproxyfen, POPA, PYPAC, 2-OH-pyridine and 2,5-diOH-pyridine, have been tested for mutagenicity, via Ames Assay, and acute oral toxicity to mice. All seven metabolites were tested in the Ames assay with and without S9 at doses up to 5,000 micro-grams per plate or up to the growth inhibitory dose. The metabolites did not induce any significant increases in revertible colonies in any of the test strains. Positive control chemicals showed marked increases in reverting colonies. The acute toxicity to mice of 4'-OH-pyriproxyfen, 5''-OH-pyriproxyfen, desphenyl-pyriproxyfen, POPA, and PYPAC did not appear to markedly differ from pyriproxyfen, with all metabolites having acute oral Lethal Dose (LD<sub>50</sub>) values greater than 2,000 mg/kg bw. The two pyridines, 2-OH-pyridine and 2,5-diOH-pyridine, gave acute oral LD<sub>50</sub> values of 124 (male) and 166 (female) mg/kg bw, and 1,105 (male) and 1,000 (female) mg/kg bw, respectively.

3. *Endocrine disruption*. Pyriproxyfen is specifically designed to be an insect growth regulator and is known to produce juvenoid effects on arthropod development. However, this mechanism-of-action in target insects and some other arthropods has no relevance to any mammalian endocrine system. While specific tests, uniquely designed to evaluate the potential effects of pyriproxyfen on mammalian endocrine systems have not been conducted, the toxicology of pyriproxyfen has been extensively

evaluated in acute, sub-chronic, chronic, developmental, and reproductive toxicology studies including detailed histopathology of numerous tissues. The results of these studies show no evidence of any endocrine-mediated effects and no pathology of the endocrine organs. Consequently, Valent concludes that pyriproxyfen does not possess estrogenic or endocrine disrupting properties applicable to mammals.

#### C. Aggregate Exposure

1. *Dietary exposure*. An evaluation of chronic dietary exposure including both food and drinking water has been performed for the U.S. population and various sub-populations including infants and children. No acute dietary endpoint and dose was identified in the toxicology data base for pyriproxyfen, therefore, the Valent Corporation concludes that there is a reasonable certainty of no harm from acute dietary exposure.

i. *Food*. Chronic dietary exposure to pyriproxyfen residues was calculated for the U.S. population and 25 population subgroups assuming tolerance level residues, processing factors from residue studies, and 100% of the crop-treated. The analyses included residue data for all existing uses, pending uses, and proposed new uses. The results from several representative subgroups are listed below. Chronic exposure to the overall U.S. population is estimated to be 0.002984 mg/kg bw/day, representing 0.9% of the Reference Dose (RfD). For the most highly exposed sub-population, children 1 to 6 years of age, exposure is calculated to be 0.007438 mg/kg bw/day, or 2.1% of the RfD. Generally speaking, the Agency has no cause for concern if total residue contribution for established and proposed tolerances is less than 100% of the RfD.

#### CALCULATED CHRONIC DIETARY EXPOSURES TO THE TOTAL U.S. POPULATION AND SELECTED SUB-POPULATIONS TO PYRIPROXYFEN RESIDUES IN FOOD

Population Subgroup	Exposure (mg/kg bw/day)	Percent of RfD
Total U.S. population (all seasons)	0.002984	0.853
Children (1–6 years)	0.007438	2.125
Non-Nursing infants (<1 year old)	0.006483	1.852
All infants (<1 year old)	0.005604	1.601
Children (7–12 years)	0.004159	1.188

**CALCULATED CHRONIC DIETARY EXPOSURES TO THE TOTAL U.S. POPULATION AND SELECTED SUB-POPULATIONS TO PYRIPROXYFEN RESIDUES IN FOOD—Continued**

Population Subgroup	Exposure (mg/kg bw/day)	Percent of RfD
Females (13+/-nursing)	0.002964	0.847
Nursing infants (<1 year old)	0.002601	0.743

ii. *Drinking water.* Since pyriproxyfen is applied outdoors to growing agricultural crops, the potential exists for pyriproxyfen or its metabolites to reach ground or surface water that may be used for drinking water. Because of the physical properties of pyriproxyfen, it is unlikely that pyriproxyfen or its metabolites can leach to potable ground water. To quantify potential exposure from drinking water, surface water concentrations for pyriproxyfen were estimated using GENEEC 1.3. The average 56-day concentration predicted in the simulated pond water was 0.16 parts per billion (ppb). Using standard assumptions about body weight and water consumption, the chronic exposure to pyriproxyfen from this drinking water would be  $4.57 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $1.6 \times 10^{-5}$  mg/kg bw/day for adults and children, respectively; 0.0046% of the RfD (0.35 mg/kg/day) for children. Based on this worst case analysis, the contribution of water to the dietary risk is negligible.

2. *Non-dietary exposure.* Pyriproxyfen is currently registered for use on residential non-food sites. Pyriproxyfen is the active ingredient in numerous registered products for flea and tick control. Formulations include foggers, aerosol sprays, emulsifiable concentrates, and impregnated materials (pet collars). With the exception of the pet collar uses, consumer use of pyriproxyfen typically results in acute and short-term intermittent exposures. No acute dermal, or inhalation dose or endpoint was identified in the toxicity data for pyriproxyfen. Similarly, doses and endpoints were not identified for short and intermediate term dermal or inhalation exposure to pyriproxyfen. The Valent Corporation has concluded that there are reasonable certainties of no harm from acute, short-term, and intermediate-term dermal and inhalation occupational and residential exposures due to the lack of significant toxicological effects observed.

Chronic residential post-application exposure and risk assessments were conducted to estimate the potential risks

from pet collar uses. The risk assessment was conducted using the following assumptions: application rate of 0.58 mg active ingredient (ai)/day, average bw for a 1–6 year old child of 10 kg, the a.i. dissipates uniformly through 365 days (the label instructs to change collar once a year), 1% of the active ingredient is available for dermal and inhalation exposure per day (assumption from Draft EPA Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for Residential Exposure Assessments, December 18, 1997). The assessment also assumes an absorption rate of 100%. This is a conservative assumption since the dermal absorption was estimated to be 10%. The estimated chronic term MOE was 61,000 for children, and 430,000 for adults. The risk estimates indicate that potential risks from pet collar uses do not exceed the Agency's level of concern.

**D. Cumulative Effects**

Section 408(b)(2)(D)(v) requires that the Agency must consider "available information" concerning the cumulative effects of a particular pesticide's residues and "other substances that have a common mechanism of toxicity." Available information in this context include not only toxicity, chemistry, and exposure data, but also scientific policies and methodologies for understanding common mechanisms of toxicity and conducting cumulative risk assessments. For most pesticides, although the Agency has some information in its files that may turn out to be helpful in eventually determining whether a pesticide shares a common mechanism of toxicity with any other substances, EPA does not at this time have the methodologies to resolve the complex scientific issues concerning common mechanism of toxicity in a meaningful way.

There are no other pesticidal compounds that are structurally related to pyriproxyfen and have similar effects on animals. In consideration of potential cumulative effects of pyriproxyfen and other substances that may have a common mechanism of toxicity, there are currently no available data or other reliable information indicating that any toxic effects produced by pyriproxyfen would be cumulative with those of other chemical compounds. Thus, only the potential risks of pyriproxyfen have been considered in this assessment of aggregate exposure and effects.

Valent will submit information for EPA to consider concerning potential cumulative effects of pyriproxyfen consistent with the schedule established by EPA at 62 FR 42020 (Aug. 4, 1997) and other subsequent EPA publications

pursuant to the Food Quality Protection Act.

**E. Safety Determination**

1. *U.S. population.* —i. *Chronic dietary exposure and risk adult sub-populations.* The results of the chronic dietary exposure assessment described above demonstrate that estimates of chronic dietary exposure for all existing, pending and proposed uses of pyriproxyfen are well below the chronic RfD of 0.35 mg/kg bw/day. The estimated chronic dietary exposure from food for the overall U.S. population and many non-child/infant subgroups is from 0.002123 to 0.003884 mg/kg bw/day, 0.607 to 1.100% of the RfD. Addition of the small but worse case potential chronic exposure from drinking water (calculated above) increases exposure by only  $4.57 \times 10^{-6}$  mg/kg bw/day and does not change the maximum occupancy of the RfD significantly. Generally, the Agency has no cause for concern if total residue contribution is less than 100% of the RfD. Valent concludes that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm will result to the overall U.S. Population or any non-child/infant subgroups from aggregate, chronic dietary exposure to pyriproxyfen residues.

ii. *Acute dietary exposure and risk adult sub-populations.* No acute dietary endpoint and dose were identified in the toxicology data base for pyriproxyfen; therefore, it can be concluded that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm will result to the overall U.S. population or any non-child/infant subgroups from aggregate, acute dietary exposure to pyriproxyfen residues.

iii. *Non-dietary exposure and aggregate risk adult sub-populations.* Acute, short term, and intermediate term dermal and inhalation risk assessments for residential exposure are not required due to the lack of significant toxicological effects observed. The results of a chronic residential post-application exposure and risk assessment for pet collar uses demonstrate that potential risks from pet collar uses do not exceed the Agency's level of concern. The estimated chronic term MOE for adults was 430,000.

2. *Infants and children* — i. *Safety factor for infants and children.* In assessing the potential for additional sensitivity of infants and children to residues of pyriproxyfen, FFDCA section 408 provides that EPA shall apply an additional margin of safety, up to 10-fold, for added protection for infants and children in the case of threshold effects unless EPA determines

that a different margin of safety will be safe for infants and children.

The toxicological data base for evaluating pre-natal and post-natal toxicity for pyriproxyfen is complete with respect to current data requirements. There are no special prenatal or postnatal toxicity concerns for infants and children, based on the results of the rat and rabbit developmental toxicity studies or the 2-generation reproductive toxicity study in rats. Valent concludes that reliable data support use of the standard 100-fold uncertainty factor and that an additional uncertainty factor is not needed for pyriproxyfen to be further protective of infants and children.

ii. *Chronic dietary exposure and risk infants and children.* Using the conservative exposure assumptions described above, the percentage of the RfD that will be utilized by chronic dietary (food only) exposure to residues of pyriproxyfen ranges from 0.002601 mg/kg bw/day for nursing infants, up to 0.007438 mg/kg bw/day for children (1 to 6 years of age), 0.743 to 2.125% of the RfD, respectively. Adding the worse case potential incremental exposure to infants and children from pyriproxyfen in drinking water ( $1.6 \times 10^{-5}$  mg/kg bw/day) does not materially increase the aggregate, chronic dietary exposure and only increases the occupancy of the RfD by 0.0046% to 2.130% for Children (1 to 6 years of age). EPA generally has no concern for exposures below 100% of the RfD because the RfD represents the level at or below which daily aggregate dietary exposure over a lifetime will not pose appreciable risks to human health. Valent concludes that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm will result to infants and children from

aggregate, chronic dietary exposure to pyriproxyfen residues.

iii. *Acute dietary exposure and risk infants and children.* No acute dietary endpoint and dose were identified in the toxicology data base for pyriproxyfen; therefore, Valent believes that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm will result to infants and children from aggregate, acute dietary exposure to pyriproxyfen residues.

iv. *Non-dietary exposure and aggregate risk infants and children.* Acute, short term, and intermediate term dermal and inhalation risk assessments for residential exposure are not required due to the lack of significant toxicological effects observed. The results of a chronic residential post-application exposure and risk assessment for pet collar uses demonstrate that potential risks from pet collar uses do not exceed the Agency's level of concern. The estimated chronic term MOE for children was 61,000.

#### F. International Tolerances

There are no presently existing Codex maximum residue levels (MRLs) for pyriproxyfen.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0089; FRL-7181-5]

#### Avermectin; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption Solicitation of Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has received a specific exemption request from the California EPA, Department of Pesticide Regulation, to use the pesticide avermectin (CAS No. 717517-41-2) to treat up to 3,000 acres of basil to control leafminer. The Applicant proposes a use which has been requested in 3 or more previous years, and a petition for tolerance has not yet been submitted to the Agency.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by docket ID number OPP-2002-0089, must be received on or before June 20, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number 2002-0089 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Madden, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-6463; fax number: (703) 308-5433; e-mail address: sec-18-mailbox@epamail.epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### General Information

##### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you petition EPA for emergency exemption under section 18 of FIFRA. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS Codes	Examples of Potentially Affected Entities
State government	9241	State agencies that petition EPA for section 18 pesticide exemption

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attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

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