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2008 PESP Champions Announced!!

Back in July, we asked you to send in nominations for the PESP Champion Awards as part of an effort to recognize the efforts of PESP's most dedicated environmental stewards. After receiving a number of promising and highly qualified applicants, we are pleased to announce the 2008 PESP Champion Award winners!

In evaluating the nominations, a number of factors were considered in our selection process. PESP Champions were chosen based on their current PESP Member Strategy, along with their efforts to improve the economic benefits associated with Integrated Pest Management (IPM) adoption, reduce the risk to human health through integrated pest and pest management practices, reduce the risk to the environment through best management practices, and participate in education and outreach activities.

Congratulations to all of our PESP Champions!

Central Coast Vineyard Team Highlands Soil and Water IPM Institute of North America North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (NAPPC) Sarasota County Government, Florida SYSCO Corporation

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More Than 3,000 Acres Certified Under the Sustainability in Practice (SIP) Program Companion Website (www.sipthegoodlife.org) Launched

The Central Coast Vineyard Team is proud to announce the vineyards certified under the Sustainability in Practice (SIP) program. After more than six months of documenting their farming practices and receiving on-site inspections, the program's independent advisory board granted certification. This announcement coincides with the launch of a consumer-friendly website http://www.sipthegoodlife.org, which represents an important new tool in CCVT's consumer and trade educational campaign.

The 2008 SIP Certified vineyards include Ampelos Cellars, Castoro Cellars, D'Anbino Vineyard and Cellars, Hahn Estates, Halter Ranch, Hiliard Bruce Vineyard, Jackson Family Wines, Laetitia Vineyards, Paragon & Firepeak Vineyards, Paraiso Vineyards, Pomar Junction Vineyard, Robert Hall Winery, Saucelito Canyon Vineyard, and Wolff Vineyards. Over 3,000 acres were certified under the program in Monterey, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara Counties.

2008 wines made with certified fruit with these brands are expected to reach the marketplace in 2009. In addition, Baileyana, Kenneth Volk Wines, and Tangent have expressed interest in producing wines made with the certified fruit.

In order to qualify for vineyard certification, growers must achieve and document 40 requirements outlined in the Standards. They must also earn 75% of the available points through implementing management enhancements. A thirdparty inspector verifies a grower's practices through an indepth records and on-site audit and the auditor reports are verified by an independent advisory committee. Finally, the committee grants certification based on grower compliance. The Standards and full program description are available online at www.sipcertified.org. Applications for the 2009 season are currently being accepted.

Announcements



13th Annual Exotic Species Workshop for Southwest EPA Releases RED for Triclosan Florida

Hosted by the Florida Panther & Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuges, the 13th Annual Exotic Species Workshop for Southwest Florida will take place **December 2**, **2008** at FGCU in Fort Meyers, Florida. Topics that will be discussed at the Workshop include:



- Creating a CISMA for Southwest Florida
- "Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area"
- Native vs. Exotic Grasses ID
- Appropriate Use of Herbicides to Minimize Use, How much? Where? & When?
- Strategic Exotic Management Control
- How will Climate Change affect us?

International IPM Achievement Awards: Call for Posters

Poster submissions are now being accepted for the Sixth International IPM Symposium held March 24-26, 2009 in Portland, Oregon. Use this opportunity to share your IPM work. Plan to bring a poster to the 6th International IPM Symposium. Posters will be displayed on these suggested topic areas:

- Global IPM- partnerships and collaborations, IPM policy, invasive species, biosecurity
- Agricultural IPM Systems- field crops, fruit & vegetable, ornamental, pasture, rangeland, vertebrates, livestock
- Urban IPM Systems- urban, residential, public health, school IPM, stored products
- IPM in Natural Areas- aquatics, wildlife, water quality
- IPM Strategies- new IPM technologies, non-traditional advances, IPM & BMPs
- Control Tactics- cultural, genetic, biological control, biopesticides, chemical, resistance management
- Communication & Education- IPM delivery, new Extension programs
- IPM Evaluation & Promotion- measuring IPM impacts, soil quality, marketing IPM

Poster abstracts should be submitted online by **January 5**, **2008**.

EPA released a Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for the chemical triclosan, which has antimicrobial uses as a bacteriostat, fungistat, mildewstat, and deodorizer. There are also other uses regulated by the Food and Drug Administration.

In general, the Agency has concluded that all EPA-registered uses of triclosan are eligible for reregistration, with the exception of the use in paints (registrants have recently requested voluntary cancellation of this use), provided that the risk mitigation and data requirements outlined in the RED are fully implemented. The Agency is aware that research is ongoing regarding triclosan and the outcomes of this further research may require the Agency to revisit its regulatory decision in the future.

The Federal Register Notice of Availability can be found at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2008/October/Day-29/p25829.htm.

EPA is accepting comments on this document until **December** 29, 2008.

Sponsorship/Exhibit Opportunities Available for Sixth International IPM Symposium

Exhibitors are guaranteed to have the attentions of hundreds of IPM professionals at the Sixth International IPM Symposium, March 24-26, 2009 in Portland, Oregon. Sponsors and contributors will be identified in the symposium program, signage at the event, and on the Symposium Web site. Sign up today for exhibit space or to get recognition as a sponsor now!

Each year, approximately 30 practicing environmental public health professionals are admitted to the program. EPHLI strengthens the country's environmental public health system by enhancing the leadership capabilities of state, local, and tribal environmental public health professionals.



Upcoming Conferences, Meetings, and Events



2009 USDA-CSREES National Water Conference: Call for Abstracts

Abstracts for poster presentations will be accepted until **December 31, 2008** or until the floor space is full. The 2009 National Water Conference agenda will include 200 presentations on:

- Agricultural Best Management Practices
- Rural Environmental Protection
- Conservation and Resource Management
- Watershed Assessment & Restoration
- Human Dimensions of Water Management



The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance's (TPSA) 9th Annual Pesticide Stewardship Conference: Call for Abstracts and Posters

TPSA will host its 9th Annual Pesticide Stewardship Conference, **February 22-25**, **2009** in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This Conference will serve as a forum to facilitate networking and cooperation among parties that are involved in any aspect of pesticide stewardship. TPSA invites individuals from private companies, public entities, and organizations willing to share their stories, findings, and challenges. While the agenda for the Conference has not yet been finalized, anticipated sessions include:

- Improving Pesticide Product Labels
- Managing Off-target Pesticide Movement
- Managing Hazardous Wastes
- Managing Waste Agricultural Plastics
- Recycling Plastic Containers
- Communicating Stewardship

TPSA has extended the deadline to accept abstracts for paper presentations or proposed symposia until **December 12**, **2008**. Abstracts for poster presentations will be accepted until **February 13**, **2009**. 2008 ACRES USA Conference December 4-6, 2008 St. Louis, Missouri

9th Annual Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Tools for Schools (TfS) National Symposium December 4-6, 2008 Washington, D.C.

Northeastern Weed Science Society Annual Meeting January 5-8, 2009 Baltimore, Maryland

NOFA-NY Organic Farming & Gardening Conference January 23-25, 2009 Rochester, New York

PASA Farming for the Future Conference February 4-7, 2009 State College, Pennsylvania

2009 WSSA Annual Meeting February 9-13, 2009 Orlando, Florida

20th Annual Organic Farming Conference February 26-28, 2009 La Crosse, Wisconsin

Public Meeting: U.S. EPA FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel December 2-5, 2008 Arlington, Virginia

9th Annual Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Tools for Schools (TfS) National Symposium December 4-6, 2008 Washington, D.C.

2009 USDA-CSREES National Water Conference February 8-12, 2009 St. Louis, Missouri

The Sixth International IPM Symposium Transcending Boundaries March 24-26, 2009

Portland, Oregon



Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) News

EPA Will Discourage Cause Marketing and Third-Party Claims

In October 2007, EPA issued a draft Pesticide Registration Notice (PR Notice) titled "Label Statements Regarding Third-Party Endorsements & Cause Marketing" for public comment. The draft contained a description of the Agency's suggested framework for evaluating proposed statements and graphic material on pesticide labeling regarding third-party endorsements or a relationship between the pesticide registrant and a charity ("cause marketing claims"). It also discussed the information EPA would expect to receive in applications to determine whether the types of claims outlined in the draft PR Notice were appropriate for pesticide labeling.

EPA will not continue work on developing a framework to evaluate such claims and will not issue guidance on what information is needed to evaluate such applications. If it receives such an application, the Agency expects to decide, on a caseby-case basis, both what information would be necessary to carefully evaluate the proposed claims and whether a product containing such a claim could meet the applicable statutory and regulatory standards for approval.

The Federal Register Notice of this action can be found at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2008/September/Day-30/p22938.htm.



Dockets Closing for Public Comment

December 08, 2008

Pseudomonas fluorescens and Pseudomonas syringae Registration This notice announces the availability of EPA's proposed registration review decisions for the pesticides cases, Pseudomonas fluorescens and Pseudomonas syringae, and opens a public comment period. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0610

December 17, 2008

Pesticide Registration Review; New Dockets Opened for Review and Comment: Closure of the Fenamiphos Registration Review Case

EPA has established registration review dockets for the pesticides: Trinexapac-ethyl, Clethodim, Flumetsulam, Soap salts, and Flutolanil, and is opening a public comment period for these registration reviews. Closure of the Fenamiphos registration review is also announced. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0662

December 19, 2008

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities

This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of acetic acid in or on various commodities. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0561

December 29, 2008

Triclosan: Reregistration Eligibility Decision; Notice of Availability

This notice announces the availability of EPA's Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for the pesticide triclosan, and opens a public comment period on this document. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0513

January 06, 2009

Data Requirements for Antimicrobial Pesticides

This notice asks the public to comment on EPA's proposed revisions to the existing data requirements for antimicrobial pesticides. Comments must be received on or before January 6, 2009. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0110

January 12, 2009

Acrolein, d-Phenothrin, and Sulfometuron Methyl, Reregistration Eligibility Decision: Notice of Availability

This notice announces the availability of EPA's Reregistration Eligibility Decisions (REDs) for the pesticides acrolein, d-phenothrin, and sulfometuron methyl, and opens a public comment period on this document. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0588

February 17, 2009

Metam Sodium, Metam Potassium and Chloropicrin; Notice of Receipt of Requests for Amendments to Delete Uses in Certain Pesticide Registrations

EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of request for amendments by registrants to delete uses in certain pesticide registrations. Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may at any time request that any of its pesticide. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0536

April 27, 2009

Nicotine: Notice of Receipt of Request to Voluntarily Cancel a Pesticide Registration

EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of a request by the registrant to voluntarily cancel its registration for a product containing the pesticide nicotine. EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-1019

Grant Opportunities

Close Date	Grant Title	Agency/Organization	Funding Number
5-Dec-08	Farmer/Rancher Research & Education	Western Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)	N/A
5-Dec-08	Professional + Producer	Western Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)	N/A
9-Dec-08	Partnership Grant Program	Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)	N/A
11-Dec-08	Strategic Agricultural Initiative: FY09 Request for Applications	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 2	EPA-R2-DECA-PTSB-08-01
12-Dec-08	Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers Competitive Grants	CSREES	USDA-CSREES-ICGP-001825
12-Dec-08	IPM Partnership Grant Program	Northeastern IPM Center	N/A
15-Dec-08	Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants Program	CSREES	USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001907
16-Dec-08	Farmer Grant Program	Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)	N/A
5-Jan-09	Federally-Recognized Tribes Extension Program	CSREES	USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001906
6-Jan-09	Extension Integrated Pest Management Coordination and Support Program	CSREES	USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001907
16-Jan-09	FQPA/Strategic Agricultural Initiative Program Grants	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 10 and American Farmland Trust	N/A
16-Jan-09	International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program	CSREES	USDA-CSREES-SERDIP-001095
5-Mar-09	Specialty Crop Block Grant Program	U.S. Department of Agriculture – Agricultural Marketing Service	USDA-AMS-SCBGP-030509
Until Funds Exhaust	IPM Minigrants Program	North Central IPM Center	N/A
Until Funds Exhaust	Sustainable Agriculture Tours	Western Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)	N/A
Ongoing	Special Issues in the West	Western IPM Center	N/A
Ongoing	Pest Management Strategic Plans in the West	Western IPM Center	N/A
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Pesticide Federal Register Items



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Pesticide Product Registration: Conditional Approval

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 210; Page 64323-64324

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice announces Agency approval of an application submitted by Syngenta Seeds, Inc., to conditionally register the pesticide product VipCot containing new active ingredients not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(7)(C) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

Sulfluramid Registration Review Final Decision: Notice of Availability

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 210; Page 64330-64331

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice announces the availability of EPA's final registration review decision for the pesticide case sulfluramid. Registration review is EPA's periodic review of pesticide registrations to ensure that each pesticide continues to satisfy the statutory standard for registration, that is, that the pesticide can perform its intended function without causing unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment. Through this program, EPA is ensuring that each pesticide's registration is based on current scientific and other knowledge (including its effects on human health and the environment).

Pesticide Management and Disposal: Standards for Pesticide Containers and Containment

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 210; Page 64215-64228

<u>Purpose</u>: With this final rule, EPA is amending the pesticide container and containment regulations, which provide for the safe storage and disposal of pesticides as a means of protecting human health and the environment pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). This final rule extends the labeling compliance date from August 17, 2009 to August 17, 2010; changes the phrase "sold or distributed" to "released for shipment" as associated with all of the compliance dates; provides certain exceptions to label language requirements; allows for waivers of certain label requirements; and makes various minor editorial changes. In addition, the Agency is amending 40 CFR part 152 by establishing a definition for "released for shipment."

Pesticide Federal Register Items (Continued)

Pyrimethanil: Pesticide Tolerances

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 210; Page 64246-64252

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation amends the tolerances in the 40 CFR 180.518 for residues of the fungicide, pyrimethanil, 4, 6dimethyl-N-phenyl-2- pyrimidinamine, in or on pome fruit crop group 11, establishes tolerances for the residues of pyrimethanil in or on apple wet pomace, and amends the tolerances for residues of pyrimethanil and its metabolites in or on milk, kidney of cattle, goat, horse and sheep. Pace International, LLC requested these tolerances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **December 29, 2008**.

Carbaryl: Order Denying NRDC's Petition to Revoke Tolerances

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 210; Page 64229-64246

<u>Purpose</u>: In this Order, EPA denies a petition requesting that EPA revoke all pesticide tolerances for carbaryl under section 408(d) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). The petition was filed on January 10, 2005, by the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **December 29, 2008**.

Acrolein, d-Phenothrin, and Sulfometuron Methyl, Reregistration Eligibility Decision: Notice of Availability Date of publication: November 12, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 219; Page 66893-66895

Purpose: This notice announces the availability of EPA's RED for the pesticides acrolein, d-phenothrin, and sulfometuron methyl, and opens a public comment period on these documents. Acrolein is a biocide used as a herbicide in irrigation canals and as an antimicrobial agent for drilling muds in the petroleum industry. d-Phenothrin is a synthetic pyrethroid with indoor uses in foggers, carpet powders, crack and crevice treatments, and pet care products and outdoor uses as a mosquito adulticide. Sulfometuron methyl is a non-selective sulfonylurea herbicide primarily used for weed control in forestry and vegetative management. Neither acrolein, d-phenothrin, or sulfometuron methyl have any food uses.

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **January 12**, **2009**.



Triclosan: Reregistration Eligibility Decision: Notice of Availability

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 210 64331-64333

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice announces the availability of EPA's Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for the pesticide triclosan, and opens a public comment period on this document. Triclosan is regulated by both the U.S. EPA and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The EPA regulates the antimicrobial uses of triclosan when used as a bacteriostat, fungistat, mildewstat, and deodorizer. EPA has reviewed triclosan through the public participation process that the Agency uses to involve the public in developing pesticide reregistration and tolerance reassessment decisions. EPA is ensuring that all pesticides meet current health and safety standards.

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **December** 29, 2008.

Nicotine: Notice of Receipt of Request to Voluntarily Cancel a Pesticide Registration

Date of publication: October 29, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 210 64320-64322

Purpose: In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended. EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of a request by the registrant to voluntarily cancel its registration for a product containing the pesticide nicotine. The request would terminate nicotine use on greenhouse-grown ornamentals. The request would terminate the last nicotine product registered for use in the United States. EPA intends to grant this request at the close of the comment period for this announcement unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of the request, or unless the registrant withdraws its request within this period. Upon acceptance of this request, any sale, distribution, or use of products listed in this notice will be permitted only if such sale, distribution, or use is consistent with the terms as described in the final order.

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **April 27**, **2009**.

Notice of Receipt of Several Pesticide Petitions Filed for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities

Date of publication: November 12, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 219; Page 66897-66899

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice announces the Agency's receipt of several initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various commodities

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **December 12**, **2008**.

Pesticide Federal Register Items (Continued)

MCPB: Pesticide Tolerances

Date of publication: November 12, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 219; Page 66780-66786

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes tolerances for combined residues of free and conjugated MCPB and its metabolite MCPA in or on peppermint, tops and spearmint, tops. Interregional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4) requested these tolerances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 12**, **2009**.

Avermectin: Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions Date of publication: November 12, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 219; Page 66775-66780

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes a time-limited tolerance for combined residues of the insecticide avermectin B1 and its delta-8, 9-isomer in or on bean, lima, seed. This action is in response to EPA's granting of an emergency exemption under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) authorizing use of the pesticide on large lima beans. This regulation establishes a maximum permissible level for residues of avermectin in this food commodity. The time-limited tolerance expires and is revoked on December 31, 2010.

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 12, 2009**.

Tetraconazole: Pesticide Tolerances

Date of publication: November 14, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 221; Page 67400-67406

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes a tolerance for residues of (IR-4) requested this tolerance under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 13**, **2009**.

Naphthalene Reregistration Eligibility Decision

Date of publication: November 14, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 221; Page 67511-67512

Purpose: This notice announces the availability of EPA's Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for the pesticide naphthalene. The Agency's risk assessments and other related documents also are available in the naphthalene Docket. Naphthalene is an insecticide used primarily as a moth repellant. EPA has reviewed naphthalene through the public participation process that the Agency uses to involve the public in developing pesticide reregistration and tolerance reassessment decisions. Through these programs, EPA is ensuring that all pesticides meet current health and safety standards.



Inert Ingredient: Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance for (S, S)-Ethylenediaminedisuccinic Acid Date of publication: November 14, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 221; Page 67397-67400

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of (S, S)-Ethylenediaminedisuccinic acid (CAS Reg. No. 20846-91-7) ((S,S)-EDDS) when used as an inert ingredient sequestrant or chelating agent in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops only under 40 CFR 180.920. Associated Octel Company, Limited, submitted a petition to EPA under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA), requesting an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance. This regulation eliminates the need to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of (S, S)-Ethylenediaminedisuccinic acid.

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 13, 2009**.

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request: Application for New and Amended Pesticide Registration; EPA ICR No. 0277.15, OMB Control No. 2070-0060

Date of publication: November 14, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 221; Page 67507-67508

<u>Purpose</u>: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)(44 U.S.C.3501 et seq.), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

<u>Comments</u>: Additional comments may be submitted on or before **December 15, 2008**.

Ipconazole: Pesticide Tolerances

Date of publication: November 19, 2008

<u>Citation</u>: Volume 73, Number 224; Page 69554-69559

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes tolerances for residues of ipconazole from seed treatment in or on cotton, peanut, soybean, dry shelled pea and bean (Subgroup 6C), cereal grains (Group 15) except rice, and forage, fodder, and straw of cereal grains (Group 16) except rice. Chemtura Corporation requested these tolerances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 20, 2009**.

Petition for Rulemaking Requesting EPA Regulate Nanoscale Silver Products as Pesticides: Notice of Availability Date of publication: November 19, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 224; Page 69644-69646

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice makes available for public review and comment a petition for rulemaking and collateral relief filed by the International Center for Technology Assessment (ICTA) and others. In general, the petition requests that the Agency classify nanoscale silver as a pesticide, require formal pesticide registration of all products containing nanoscale silver, analyze the potential human health and environmental risks of nanoscale silver, take regulatory actions under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) against existing products that contain nanoscale silver, and take other regulatory actions under FIFRA as appropriate for nanoscale silver products. The Agency has determined that the petition raises issues that potentially affect private and public sector stakeholders. Through this notice, EPA is asking for public comment on the petition.

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **January 20**, **2009**.

Chromated Arsenicals, Pentachlorophenol, Creosote Reregistration Eligibility Decisions: Notice of Availability Date of publication: November 19, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 224; Page 69646-69647

This notice announces the availability of EPA's Purpose: Reregistration Eligibility Decision (REDs) for the pesticides chromated arsenicals (e.g., CCA), pentachlorophenol, and creosote, collectively referred to as ``heavy duty wood preservatives." The Agency's risk assessments and other related documents also are available in the chromated arsenicals, pentachlorophenol, and creosote Dockets. The term heavy duty wood preservative is used to differentiate wood preservatives applied using specialized high pressure treatment cylinders (also called ``retorts'') from those applied using non-specialized methods (e.g., brush, dip). The three wood preservatives are used primarily for industrial purposes such as utility poles, pilings, and railroad ties. EPA has reviewed the heavy duty wood preservatives through the public participation process that the Agency uses to involve the public in developing pesticide reregistration and tolerance reassessment decisions. Through these programs, EPA is ensuring that all pesticides meet current health and safety standards.

Polyoxin D Zinc Salt: Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance

Date of publication: November 19, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 224; Page 69559-69564

<u>Purpose</u>: This regulation establishes an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for residues of the polyoxin D zinc salt (zinc 5-[[2-amino-5-o-(aminocarbonyl)-2-deoxy-L-xylonoyl] amino]-1-(5-carboxy-3, 4-dihydro-2, 4-dioxo-1(2H)-pyrimidinyl)-1, 5-dideoxy-[beta]

-D-allofuranuronatein) on almonds, cucurbit vegetables, fruiting vegetables, ginseng, grapes, pistachios, pome fruits, potatoes and strawberries when applied/used as a biochemical pesticide to control and suppress fungal diseases. Arysta LifeScience North America Corporation submitted a petition to EPA under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), requesting an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance. This regulation eliminates the need to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of polyoxin D zinc salt (zinc 5-[[2-amino-5-o-(aminocarbonyl])-2-deoxy-L-xylonoyl] amino]-1-(5-carboxy- 3, 4-dihydro-2, 4-dioxo-1(2H)-pyrimidinyl)-1,5-dideoxy-[beta]-D-allofuranuronatein).

<u>Comments</u>: Objections and requests for hearings must be received on or before **January 20, 2009**.

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities

Date of publication: November 19, 2008

Citation: Volume 73, Number 224; Page 69635-69637

<u>Purpose</u>: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of acetic acid in or on various commodities.

<u>Comments</u>: Comments must be received on or before **December 19**, **2008**.

