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NOTICE TO MANUFACTURERS, FORMULATORS, PRODUCERS
AND REGISTRANTS OF PESTICIDE PRODUCTS

Attention: Persons Responsible for Federal Registration of
Pesticides Containing Inert Ingredients.

Subject: INERT INGREDIENTS IN PESTICIDE PRODUCTS;
Revised Policy Statement

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has published a Federal Register Notice (54 FR 48314; November 22, 1989) which revises certain policies regarding inert ingredients in pesticide products, as announced in PR Notice 87-6 (and 52 FR 13305, April 22, 1987). Registrants of products that contain the two inert ingredients of toxicological concern which have been added to List 1 will be required to submit applications to amend their registrations to add a label statement identifying the particular inert ingredient. Several other clarifications to the original document are also included. For your information, a copy of 54 FR 48314 is attached to this PR Notice.

Because of our delay in transmitting this Federal Register Notice to you, we are extending the deadline for submitting registration amendments to add the required label statement for the new List 1 inert ingredients. The new deadline for submission of these amendments is August 22, 1990. The May 22, 1991 deadline for products released for shipment to have the amended label in place is not being extended.

For additional information, please contact Ferial Bishop or Kerry Leifer at 703-557-7700.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne E. Lindsay".

Anne E. Lindsay, Director
Registration Division (H7505C)

claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (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 docket. Information not marked "confidential" will be included in the public docket without further notice. The public docket is available for public inspection in room 246 at the address given above from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynn M. Bradley, Registration Support Branch, Registration Division (H7505C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202)-703-557-7700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA announced its policy on toxic inert ingredients in pesticide products in the Federal Register of April 22, 1987 (52 FR 13305). Through this policy, EPA encourages the use of the least toxic inert ingredients available and requires the development of data necessary to determine the conditions of safe use of products that contain toxic inert ingredients. In developing this policy, EPA categorized inert ingredients into the following four lists according to toxicity:

- List 1 Inerts of toxicological concern
- List 2 Potentially toxic inerts, with high priority for testing
- List 3 Inerts of unknown toxicity
- List 4 Inerts of minimal concern

List 1 and List 2 were published as part of the April 22, 1987 policy statement.

The criteria developed by EPA to categorize List 1 inerts were reviewed by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act's Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP). Chemicals were placed on the list of inerts of toxicological concern if they met any one of the following criteria.

- (1) Carcinogenicity:
- A rating as a human carcinogen of probable human carcinogen (rating 1, 2A or 2B) by International Agency for Research on Cancer.
 - Characterized by the National Toxicology Program as an animal carcinogen in at least one species and one sex.

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Inert Ingredients in Pesticide Products; Policy Statement; Revision and Modification of Lists

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is revising and modifying previously published lists of inert ingredients in pesticide products that are of toxicological concern and require priority testing. EPA is also addressing the period of time allowed to exhaust stocks of old formulations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The modified lists are effective on November 22, 1989.

ADDRESSES: Three copies of written comments bearing the document control number [OPP-36140A] should be submitted, by mail, to: Public Docket and Freedom of Information Section, Field Operation Division (H7504C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

In person, deliver comments to: Rm. 246, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA.

Information submitted as a comment in response to this Notice may be

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