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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Interim Registration Review Decisions and Case Closures for Several Pesticides;  
Notice of Availability**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decision for the following chemicals: BT corn coleopteran PIP, BT corn lepidopteran PIP, clodinafop-propargyl, cyprodinil, diethylene glycol monomethyl ether (DGME), dimethomorph, fomesafen, metalaxyl/mefenoxam, methoxyfenozide, mineral acids, nitrapyrin, noviflumuron, pendimethalin, potassium hypochlorite, sodium hypochlorite and calcium hypochlorite, and verbenone. It also announces the case closures for boll weevil attractant (Case 6044 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0335) and octanoate esters (Case 6027 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2017-0087), because the last U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, farm worker, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may be

interested, the Agency has not 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 pesticide specific contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

*For pesticide specific information, contact:* The Chemical Review Manager for the pesticide of interest identified in the Table in Unit IV.

*For general information on the registration review program, contact:* Dana Friedman, Pesticide Re-Evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 347-8827; email address: *friedman.dana@epa.gov.*

## **II. Background**

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, the pesticide can perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment. As part of the registration review process, the Agency has completed interim decisions for all pesticides listed in the Table in Unit IV. 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.

## **III. Authority**

EPA is conducting its registration review of the chemicals listed in the Table in Unit IV pursuant to section 3(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide

Act (FIFRA) and the Procedural Regulations for Registration Review at 40 CFR part 155, subpart C. Section 3(g) of FIFRA provides, among other things, that the registrations of pesticides are to be reviewed every 15 years. Under FIFRA, a pesticide product may be registered or remain registered only if it meets the statutory standard for registration given in FIFRA section 3(c)(5) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(5)). When used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, the pesticide product must perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on the environment; that is, without any unreasonable risk to man or the environment, or a human dietary risk from residues that result from the use of a pesticide in or on food.

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

Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58, this notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decisions for the pesticides shown in the following table. The interim registration review decisions are supported by rationales included in the docket established for each chemical.

**Table -- Registration Review Interim Decisions Being Issued**

<b>Registration Review Case Name and Number</b>	<b>Docket ID Number</b>	<b>Chemical Review Manager and Contact Information</b>
BT Corn Coleopteran PIP Case 6502	EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0584	Eric Bohnenblust <i>bohenblust.eric@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0426
BT Corn Lepidopteran PIP Case 6501	EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0584	Eric Bohnenblust <i>bohenblust.eric@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0426
Clodinafop-propargyl Case 7250	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0424	Wilhelmena Livingston <i>livingston.wilhelmena@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-8025

Cyprodinil Case 7025	EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-1008	Garland Waleko <i>waleko.garland@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-8049
Diethylene Glycol Monomethyl Ether (DGME) Case 5010	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0694	Stephen Savage <i>savage.stephen@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0345
Dimethomorph Case 7021	EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0045	Linsey Walsh <i>walsh.linsey@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-8030
Fomesafen Case 7211	EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0239	Leigh Rimmer <i>rimmer.leigh@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0553
Metalaxyl/Mefenoxam Case 0081	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0863	Leigh Rimmer <i>rimmer.leigh@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0553
Methoxyfenozide Case 7431	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0663	Mark Baldwin <i>baldwin.mark@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-0504
Mineral Acids Case 4064	EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0766	Rachel Ricciardi <i>ricciardi.rachel@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0465
Nitrapyrin Case 0213	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0170	Thomas Harty <i>harty.thomas@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0338
Noviflumuron Case 7434	EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0566	Katherine St. Clair <i>stclair.katherine@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-8778
Pendimethalin Case 0187	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0219	Julie Javier <i>javier.julie@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0790
Potassium Hypochlorite Case 5076	EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0157	Jessica Bailey <i>bailey.jessica@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0148
Sodium Hypochlorite and Calcium Hypochlorite Case 0029	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0004	Jessica Bailey <i>bailey.jessica@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0148
Verbenone Case 6031	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0511	Chris Pfeifer <i>pfeifer.chris@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-0031

The proposed interim registration review decisions for the chemicals in the table above were posted to the docket and the public was invited to submit any comments or new information. EPA addressed the comments or information received during the 60-day comment period for the proposed interim decisions in the discussion for each pesticide listed in the table. Comments from the 60-day comment period that were received may or may not have affected the Agency's interim decision. Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58(c), the registration review case docket for the chemicals listed in the Table will remain open until all actions required in the interim decision have been completed.

This document also announces the closures of the registration review cases for boll weevil attractant (Case 6044 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0335) and octanoate esters (Case 6027 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2017-0087), because the last U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled. Background on the registration review program is provided at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticide-reevaluation>.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*

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