

was observed. In the rabbit a dose level of 30 mg/kg/day caused maternal toxicity, but there were no developmental effects.

The extensive data base that is available for tetraconazole contains no indication that tetraconazole would represent any unusual or disproportionate hazard to infants or children. Therefore there is no need to impose additional safety factors above the 10x interspecific uncertainty factor, coupled with the 10x intraspecific uncertainty factor, for conducting risk assessments pertaining to infants or children.

A chronic DRES was conducted for tetraconazole, conservatively assuming tolerance-level residues in/on bananas, sugar beets, and peanuts, including all secondary processed commodity tolerances associated with these crops plus milk, meat, and meat byproducts. The highest potential dietary exposures to non-nursing infants less than 1-year old and children 1 to 6 years old were 0.552 micrograms/kg/day and 0.527 micrograms/kg/day, or 11% and 10.5% of the chronic RfD, respectively. These were the two age cohorts which represented the highest proportionate utilization of the chronic reference dose.

#### F. International Tolerances

There are no established Codex, Canadian, or Mexican tolerances (MRLs) established for tetraconazole. No MRLs for tetraconazole have been established under the EU uniform code for pesticide registrations. The following MRLs (expressed in ppm) have been established for tetraconazole residues on sugarbeet roots; Belgium, France, Portugal, Spain (0.05); Hungary (0.1); and Italy (0.2). In addition to sugar beets, the following MRLs (in ppm) for tetraconazole have also been established in the following countries for several RACs; apples, and/or pome fruits (Israel, Spain 0.2, France 0.3, Italy, Portugal, Poland 0.5); grapes (Israel, Jordan, France, Portugal, Spain 0.2, Italy 0.5); stone fruits (Italy, Spain 0.2); cucumbers (Italy, Poland, Egypt, Jordan 0.2); melons (Egypt, Jordan, Italy 0.05, Israel 0.2); peaches and/or stone fruits (Italy, Spain 0.2); wheat grain (Morocco, Belgium, France, Hungary, Poland, Italy, Portugal, United Kingdom 0.05); oat grain (United Kingdom 0.1); barley grain (Italy 0.1, United Kingdom 0.2); tomatoes (Egypt, Israel, Jordan 0.2); and mango (Israel 0.2).

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6458]

### Notice of Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, Wellington Neighborhood Property, French Gulch/Wellington-Oro Site

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

**ACTION:** Notice; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** Notification is hereby given of a Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement (PPA) associated with the Wellington Neighborhood Property near the French Gulch/Wellington-Oro Site, Summit County, Colorado. This Agreement is subject to final approval after the comment period. The Prospective Purchaser Agreement would resolve certain potential EPA claims under sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (CERCLA), against Brynn Grey V LLC. and Wellington Neighborhood, LLC., the prospective purchasers (the purchasers).

The settlement would require the purchasers to cover and maintain areas of the property containing elevated levels of metals. The purchasers intend to develop the property for deed restricted affordable housing consistent with a master plan approved by local authorities. The purchasers will regrade areas disturbed by historical placer mining, will provide EPA with access to the property, will allow the use of a motion of the property for construction of response actions, if necessary, and will deposit funds for the purchase of the property into an EPA special account.

For seven (7) days following the date of publication of this document, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed settlement. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the Superfund Records Center at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202. **DATES:** Comments must be submitted within seven (7) days from the date of this publication.

**AVAILABILITY:** The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202. A copy of the proposed Agreement may be obtained from the Superfund Records Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202, 301/312-6473. Comments should reference the Wellington Neighborhood Property and should be forwarded to Andy Lensink, Enforcement Attorney, at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 8ENF-T, 999 18th Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Andy Lensink, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 8ENF-T, 999 18th Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202. (303) 312-6908.

It is so agreed:

**Max H. Dodson,**

*Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Ecosystems Protection & Remediation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII.*

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## EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of Existing Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Local Union Report (EEO-3).

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) announces that it intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for an extension of the existing information collection listed below.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be submitted on or before December 13, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be submitted to Frances M. Hart, Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10th Floor, 1801 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20507. As a convenience to commentators, the Executive Secretariat will accept comments transmitted by facsimile ("FAX") machine. The telephone number of the FAX receiver is (202) 663-4114. (This is not a toll-free number.) Only comments of six or fewer

pages will be accepted via FAX transmittal. This limitation is necessary to assure access to the equipment. Receipt of FAX transmittals will not be acknowledged, except that the sender may request confirmation of receipt by calling the Executive Secretariat staff at (202) 663-4078 (voice) or (202) 663-4074 (TDD). (These are not toll-free telephone numbers.) Copies of comments submitted by the public will be available to review at the Commission's library, Room 6502, 1801 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20507 between the hours of 9:30 and 5:00 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joachim Neckere, Director, Program Research and Surveys Division, 1801 L Street, NW, Room 9222, Washington, DC 20507, (202) 663-4958 (voice) or (202) 663-7063 (TDD).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission solicits public comment to enable it to:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### **Overview of This Information Collection**

*Collection Title:* Local Union Report (EEO-3).

*OMB Number:* 3046-0006.

*Frequency of Report:* Biennial.

*Type of Respondent:* Referral local unions with 100 or more members.

*Description of Affected Public:* Referral local unions and independent or unaffiliated referral unions and similar labor organizations.

*Responses:* 3,000.

*Reporting Hours:* 3,000 (4,500 hours including recordkeeping).

*Number of Forms:* 1.

*Federal Cost:* \$43,500.

*Abstract:* Section 709(c) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000e-8(c), requires employers, employment agencies, and

labor organizations to make and keep records relevant to a determination of whether unlawful employment practices have or are being committed and to make reports therefrom as required by the EEOC. Accordingly, the EEOC has issued regulations which set forth the reporting requirement for various kinds of labor organizations—Referral local unions with 100 or more have been required to submit EEO-3 reports since 1967 (biennially since 1985). The individual reports are confidential.

EEO-3 data are used by the EEOC to investigate charges of discrimination against referral local unions. In addition, the data are used to support EEOC decisions and conciliations, and for research. Pursuant to section 709(d) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, EEO-3 data are also shared with 86 State and Local Fair Employment Practices Agencies (FEPAs) and other government agencies.

*Burden Statement:* The respondent burden for this information collection is minimal. The estimated number of respondents included in the annual EEO-3 survey is 3,000 referral local unions. Since each union files one EEO-3 report, the number responses is 3,000. The total biennial reporting burden is estimated to be 3,000 hours, and total biennial reporting and recordkeeping burden is 4,500 hours.

This is an average burden estimate and is based on a long history of reporting experience. The burden is dependent on the size of the referral local union and on the number of referrals made by the union during the reporting period. Smaller unions may well take under an hour to complete the report. Over the years, the Commission has reduced the reporting and record keeping burden by eliminating all local unions with fewer than 100 members, by requiring record keeping for a two month period only, by changing the data collection instrument, and by changing the frequency of the data collection from an annual to a biennial basis. Further reductions, such as filing by diskette or magnetic tape, have been less successful because referral local unions appear less likely to have computerized record keeping and reporting capabilities.

Dated: October 6, 1999.

For the Commission.

**Ida L. Castro,**

*Chairwoman.*

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#### **OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY**

##### **Proposed Federal Policy on Research Misconduct To Protect the Integrity of the Research Record**

**AGENCY:** Office of Science and Technology Policy.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment on proposed Federal policy on research misconduct.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) proposes a government-wide Federal policy for research misconduct for adoption and implementation by agencies that conduct and support research. The proposed policy addresses behavior that has the potential to affect the integrity of the research record and establishes procedural safeguards for handling allegations of research misconduct. It has been cleared by the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) and is the result of an extensive interagency development, review, and clearance process initiated in April 1996. This policy notice was developed by OSTP in consultation with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and OMB supports the solicitation of comment on the proposed policy and procedures.

The policy consists of a definition of research misconduct and guidelines for handling allegations of research misconduct. Following consideration of public comments received, the agencies will be directed to implement the policy. In some cases, this may require agencies to amend or replace regulations addressing research misconduct that are already in place. In other cases, agencies may implement the policy through administrative mechanisms. An important objective of this policy is to achieve uniformity in research misconduct policies across the agencies of the Federal government. It is intended that agencies will adopt the final Federal research misconduct policy, and therefore potentially affected parties should express their views on the policy in response to this notice.

**DATES:** The Office of Science and Technology Policy welcomes comments on the proposed policy. To be assured consideration, comments must be postmarked no later than December 13, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Sybil Francis, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, Washington, DC 20502.