



Department of Pesticide Regulation



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TO: Pesticide Product Stakeholders

SUBJECT: Impact of Furloughs on Pesticide Product Registration Process

To carry out the Governor's Executive order that calls for three furlough days a month, the California Environmental Protection Agency, including the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), will be closed the first, second, and third Fridays of each month through June 2010. Staff cannot conduct business activities on these days, either in or out of the office.

DPR's Pesticide Registration Branch (PRB) will continue to carry out its normal business activities on days the building is open. However, due to the shortened workweek, we anticipate delays in processing and response times. We recognize that this may be an inconvenience to our stakeholders. Registrants and applicants for registration or amendment of pesticide products are advised to review their applications and related paperwork carefully before submission to PRB. Errors in submissions may result in even longer delays.

PRB is committed to providing our stakeholders with quality service and we are working on strategies to mitigate this unforeseen situation. We encourage you to take advantage of the many services we offer on-line at www.cdpr.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Rachel Kubiak in the Pesticide Registration Branch by e-mail at rkubiak@cdpr.ca.gov or by telephone at (916) 324-3939. Again, we apologize for any inconvenience that the furloughs may cause.

Original signed by

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