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## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED DECISION TO RENEW PESTICIDE PRODUCT REGISTRATIONS FOR 2016, DIRECTOR'S FINDING AND PUBLIC REPORT**

In accordance with Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6253, the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) issues this notice and public report of his proposed decision to renew, for calendar year 2016, certificates of registration of those pesticide products registered with DPR on December 31, 2015.

Comments concerning this proposed decision must be submitted no later than **November 10, 2015**, and be directed to the Pesticide Registration Branch, Department of Pesticide Regulation, P. O. Box 4015, Sacramento, California 95812-4015. Contacts regarding this notice should be made to the Pesticide Registration Branch at 916-445-4400.

### *Description of the Action*

This is a proposed decision to renew certificates of registration of pesticide products registered with DPR on December 31, 2015. The pesticide products proposed for renewal are currently registered in California. The registrants of these products are required to renew their certificates of registration for their respective products in California for the year 2016.

This proposed action, the annual renewal of certificates of registration, is a non-discretionary duty that must be taken if certain requirements, as described in the regulatory framework below, are satisfied by the registrant. Pesticides proposed for registration renewal under this notice can be found in a DPR database online at <<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/label/labelque.htm>>. There are approximately 13,804 registered pesticide products in this database.

### *Regulatory Framework*

DPR endeavors to eliminate from use any pesticide product that endangers the environment or is not beneficial for the purpose for which it was sold, or is misrepresented. Before a substance is initially registered as a pesticide, DPR conducts a thorough and timely evaluation (Food and Agricultural Code §12824). Once a pesticide is registered, it is subject to an orderly program of continuous reevaluation as set forth in regulation (Food and Agricultural Code §12824; Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6220-6226).

Pesticide registrations expire on December 31 of the year in which they are issued, and a registrant must submit a renewal application and fee within one month of the December 31 expiration date (Food and Agricultural Code §12817). A completed renewal application includes



a certification by the registrant that any factual or scientific evidence of an adverse effect or risk of the pesticide to human health or the environment has been submitted to DPR (Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6210). Therefore, upon the receipt of a complete and timely application, DPR is required to renew each pesticide registration within sixty days, except when the Director, after hearing, has cancelled the registration of, or denied the application to register the pesticide product. (Food and Agricultural Code §12816, §12825, and §12827; Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6215b).

At any time, DPR may conduct a reevaluation of a registered pesticide based on information derived from various sources, including public and private research studies; consultation with the Pesticide Registration and Evaluation Committee and U.S. EPA; adverse effects disclosures; and, public comments. DPR must investigate reports and information received that indicate a pesticide may have caused, or is likely to cause, a significant adverse impact, or that indicate there is an alternative to the product that may significantly reduce an adverse environmental impact (Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6220). If the Director finds from the investigation that a significant adverse impact has occurred or is likely to occur or such an alternative is available, the pesticide involved must be reevaluated (Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6220). Information regarding ongoing reevaluations can be found on DPR's Web site located at <<http://cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/reevaluation/reevals.htm>>.

The initiation of a reevaluation is subject to a public notice and comment period and a semi-annual public report requirement. At the conclusion of a reevaluation, DPR must determine one of the following: no significant adverse impact found and continued registration; additional restrictions on use are necessary; or cancellation. DPR posts notices of proposed and final reevaluation decisions and copies of semi-annual reports on pesticide products reevaluated, under reevaluation, or for which factual information has been received to consider reevaluation, which can be found at <<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/canot/camenu.htm>>. However, regardless of a product's reevaluation status or outcome, DPR must renew a product unless the Director, after hearing, has cancelled the pesticide product. If DPR determines continued use of a product has a significant adverse effect that cannot be mitigated, DPR must still renew, but may initiate the cancellation process with the option to suspend the registration pending cancellation if the product's use constitutes an immediate and substantial danger to persons or the environment (Food and Agricultural Code §12825 and §12826).

### ***Director's Findings***

At this point in time, the Director finds that for all pesticide products proposed for renewal that are not currently under reevaluation and are not under consideration for reevaluation, sufficient information has not been received necessitating their reevaluation or the initiation of the cancellation process. This proposed action to renew certificates of registration of pesticide products currently registered in California maintains the status quo and will not cause either a direct or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment that constitutes a significant adverse environmental effect, and as a result, no alternatives or mitigation measures are proposed.

Based on the findings made above, the Director determines the renewal of pesticide product registrations for the calendar year 2015 should proceed in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations and no additional products need to be placed into reevaluation or the cancellation process initiated.

### **Continuous Evaluation**

All products proposed for registration renewal are subject a continuous evaluation under Food and Agricultural Code §12824 to identify and evaluate any potential significant adverse environmental impact that may be indicated after the initial registration or renewal. Following the process outlined in Title 3, California Code of Regulations §6220 through §6224, or at any time a significant adverse effect is identified that cannot be mitigated, action may be taken to cancel the registration under Food and Agricultural Code §12825.

*Original signed by*

*October 1, 2015*

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