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California Notice 2024-17

TO: Pesticide Registrants and Other Stakeholders

SUBJECT: Implementation of Pesticide Registration And Renewal Fee Increase And Revision of Application Forms

In accordance with California Food and Agricultural Code section 12812, the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) adopted, by emergency regulation, revised registration and annual registration renewal fees. Effective October 1, 2024, California Code of Regulations, Title 3 (3 CCR), sections 6148, 6148.5, 6170, and 6216 will reflect new pesticide registration-related fees as shown in the **Table** below. The documents associated with the <u>emergency regulation</u> are available on DPR's Web site at <cdpr.ca.gov/docs/legbills/emergregs.htm>.

Fee Category	Revised Fee
New Product Application	\$1,500
All Amendments (Amendments and Notifications)	\$300
Annual Renewal	\$2,300

Table. Revised Fees Effective October 1, 2024.

Please note that there have been some changes to the fees as previously discussed in <u>California Notice to Stakeholders 2024-15</u> <cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/canot/2024/ca2024-15.pdf>. In response to a public comment that was received on the emergency rulemaking package, DPR has decided to not move forward with designating a separate fee for notifications through this rulemaking package. DPR will initiate a separate regulatory action to amend regulations regarding fees for notifications as soon as possible. Until that time, the fee for all amendments, including notifications, will be \$300. This amount is consistent with the proposed registration fees that were presented at the April 23, 2024, public webinar. DPR has been reviewing its approach to amendments allowed by notifications of minor changes to continue to streamline registration processes and to better align with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's process for minor changes to registered pesticide products. DPR will solicit stakeholder feedback on what constitutes a minor change as a part of this process.

Implementation of Revised Renewal Fee

The Certificates of Registration for currently registered pesticide products expire on December 31, 2024. DPR will mail registration renewal forms to current registrants in October 2024. Additionally, in October 2024, registrants will be able to electronically submit registration renewals in CalPEST. Regardless of the method used to submit renewal applications, the renewal fee is \$2,300 for each pesticide product. Registrants may submit their annual application for

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pesticide product registration renewal until January 31, 2025, without incurring a late penalty fee. If the renewal application is postmarked February 1, 2025, or later, DPR will inactivate the product(s) effective January 1, 2025, and a late renewal penalty of \$460 per product (20% of the original amount) will be incurred. This penalty is in addition to the original renewal fee and must be sent with the renewal application before DPR will issue a 2025 license.

Revised Fees in CalPEST

As previously stated in California <u>Notice to Stakeholders 2024-13</u><cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/ canot/2024/ca2024-13.pdf>, DPR launched the new California Pesticide Electronic Submission Tracking (CalPEST) on September 24, 2024. **DPR encourages applicants to utilize the new** <u>CalPEST System</u> to submit applications electronically and submit renewal fees at <cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/calpest.htm>.

The change in registration and renewal fees will be automatically updated in CalPEST effective October 1, 2024. Applications and renewals submitted through CalPEST will allow for electronic payment and faster processing. Additionally, users will be able to view their submission status in real-time.

Implementation of Revised Registration Fees and Application Forms

For applicants not using CalPEST, DPR has updated the associated application forms to reflect the revised fees. DPR has revised the following application forms:

- Application for Pesticide Registration DPR-REG-030 (Rev. 10/24)
- Application To Amend Pesticide Product DPR-REG-035 (Rev. 10/24)
- Notification of Minor Changes DPR-REG-031 (Rev. 10/24)

The <u>revised forms</u> are available on the Pesticide Registration Branch Web site at <cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/regforms.htm>.

On or after October 1, 2024, all pesticide registration applications should be on the new forms (Rev. 10/24) and include the new application fees as shown in the **Table** above. Submissions postmarked before October 1, will be accepted with the previous form and fee. For pesticide registration submissions that do not include the correct fees or application form after October 1, 2024, DPR will provide 15-business days for registrants to resubmit the correct items before the submission is returned.

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If you have questions regarding the information in this notice, please contact the Pesticide Registration Branch Ombudsman, Mr. Aron Lindgren at <Registration.Ombudsman@cdpr.ca.gov> or 916-324-3563.

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