

recent state of science on asbestos. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the molecular induction of asbestos related disease, lung/pleural pathogenesis, and the extrapolation of a dose response relationship. Expert panelists will discuss the following topic areas: Molecular, chemical and biochemical mechanisms of asbestos fiber toxicity; mechanisms of fiber-inducing lung and pleural disease; and exposure and dose response relationships. A summary report will be prepared documenting the discussions of the workshop, and this report will be publicly available and will support EPA's administrative record for IRIS. This meeting is being sponsored by EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response and by EPA's Office of Research and Development.

**DATES:** The workshop will be held on June 12–13, 2003. The workshop hours will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, and from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday, June 13. Observers will be encouraged to submit comments on panel discussions currently scheduled on Thursday and Friday.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. To attend the workshop as an observer, contact the MNG Center of SRA International (MNG) either in writing, by electronic mail, or by telephone. MNG's contact information for this workshop is: MNG Center, Asbestos Workshop Registration, 2801 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 100, Arlington, Virginia 22201. Phone Number: (703) 292–5939. E-mail: [asbestosworkshop@sra.com](mailto:asbestosworkshop@sra.com). Web link: [http://www.epa.gov/swerrims/asbestos\\_ws/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/swerrims/asbestos_ws/index.htm).

There is no charge for attending this workshop as an observer, but observers are encouraged to register early as the number of seats will be limited. Each registrant will receive a confirmation notice, a preliminary agenda, and a logistical fact sheet that contains directions to the meeting location. Copies of the presentation material can be obtained prior to the meeting from the EPA, Web page [http://www.epa.gov/swerrims/asbestos\\_ws/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/swerrims/asbestos_ws/index.htm).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA's current assessment of asbestos toxicity is based primarily on an asbestos assessment completed in 1986, and EPA's assessment has not changed substantially since that time. However, since 1986, there have been substantial improvements in asbestos measurement techniques and in the understanding of how asbestos exposure contributes to disease. To incorporate the knowledge gained over the last 17 years into the

agency's toxicity assessment for asbestos, EPA is interested in reviewing the most up-to-date peer review literature on the mechanisms of asbestos toxicity. The experts will include scientists with extensive expertise in relevant fields, such as mechanistic toxicology, pulmonology toxicology, and risk assessment. The panelists will be asked to respond to several questions that address key issues, including interpretations of epidemiology and toxicology literature, mechanistic toxicity and general topics. The product of the workshop will be a report that summarizes the panelists' and observers' comments, conclusions, and recommendations on the proposed methodology.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information, contact the RCRA/CERCLA Call Center at 800–424–9346 or TDD 800–553–7672 (hearing impaired). In the Washington, DC metropolitan area, call 703–412–9810 or TDD 703–412–3323.

For more detailed technical information on this conference call Anna Treinies (202–566–1039) Office of Emergency and Remedial Response, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460–0002, Mail Code 5103T.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–2003–0082; FRL–7301–4]

### Difenzoquat, Diquat Dibromide; Notice of Closure for 2002 Tolerance Reassessment Decisions (TREDs)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the closure of the tolerance reassessment decisions for the chemical active ingredients difenzoquat and diquat dibromide. No adverse comments were received during the 30–day comment periods for the “Tolerance Reassessment Progress and Risk Mitigation Decision TRED for Difenzoquat” or the “Report of the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Tolerance Reassessment and Risk Management Decision TRED for Diquat Dibromide.” Therefore, the TREDs for

these chemicals fulfill the requirements of FQPA and are considered closed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** *For difenzoquat:* Tawanda Spears, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (703) 308–8050; fax number: (703) 308–8005; e-mail address: [spears.tawanda@epa.gov](mailto:spears.tawanda@epa.gov).

*For diquat dibromide:* Tyler Lane, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (703) 305–2737; fax number: (703) 308–8005; e-mail address: [lane.tyler@epa.gov](mailto:lane.tyler@epa.gov).

## 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 particular interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also 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 persons listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP–2003–0082. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal

holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically.

Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number. Difenzoquat is identified under OPP-2002-0097 and diquat dibromide under OPP-2002-0098 in the EPA docket system.

## II. Background

### A. What Action is the Agency Taking?

This notice constitutes and announces the closing of the comment periods for the difenzoquat and diquat dibromide TREDs. These decisions have been developed as part of the public participation process that EPA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) are using to involve the public in the reassessment of pesticide tolerances under FFDCA. EPA must review tolerances and tolerance exemptions that were in effect when FQPA was enacted in August of 1996, to ensure that these existing pesticide residue limits for food and feed commodities meet the safety standard of the new law.

In reviewing these tolerances, the Agency must consider, among other things, aggregate risks from non-occupational sources of pesticide exposure, where there increased susceptibility to infants and children, and the cumulative effects of pesticides with a common mechanism of toxicity. The tolerances are considered reassessed once the safety finding has been made that the aggregate risks are not of concern. A reregistration eligibility decision (RED) was completed for difenzoquat in September 1994 and for diquat dibromide in July 1995, both prior to FQPA enactment, and therefore needed updated assessments to consider the provisions of the Act.

The 30-day comment periods for the difenzoquat and diquat dibromide

TREDs were closed on June 12, 2002 (67 FR 40296) (FRL-7181-4). As neither chemical received any adverse comments, the Agency considers the TREDs for these pesticides as immediate final decisions and hereby closed.

### B. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

The legal authority for this decision falls under FIFRA, as amended in 1988 and 1996. Section 4(g)(2)(A) of FIFRA directs that, after submission of all data concerning a pesticide active ingredient, "the Administrator shall determine whether pesticides containing such active ingredient are eligible for reregistration," and either reregister products or take other "appropriate regulatory action."

### List Subjects

Environmental protection, pesticides, tolerance reregistration, difenzoquat, diquat dibromide.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CC Docket No. 92-237; DA 03-1165]

### Next Meeting of the North American Numbering Council

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On April 24, 2003, the Commission released a public notice announcing the May 13, 2003, meeting and agenda of the North American Numbering Council (NANC). The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of the NANC's next meeting and its agenda.

**DATES:** Tuesday, May 13, 2003, 9 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, The Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Suite 5-A420, Washington, DC 20554. Requests to make an oral statement or provide written comments to the NANC should be sent to Deborah Blue.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Deborah Blue, Special Assistant to the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at (202) 418-1466 or [dblue@fcc.gov](mailto:dblue@fcc.gov). The fax number is: (202) 418-2345. The TTY number is: (202) 418-0484.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Released: April 24, 2003.

The North American Numbering Council (NANC) has scheduled a meeting to be held Tuesday, May 13, 2003, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Federal Communications Commission, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room TW-C305, Washington, DC. This meeting is open to members of the general public. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many participants as possible. The public may submit written statements to the NANC, which must be received two business days before the meeting. In addition, oral statements at the meeting by parties or entities not represented on the NANC will be permitted to the extent time permits. Such statements will be limited to five minutes in length by any one party or entity, and requests to make an oral statement must be received two business days before the meeting.

### Proposed Agenda—Tuesday, May 13, 2003, 9 a.m.

1. Announcements and Recent News.
  2. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of March 19, 2003.
  3. Report of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA): CO Code Activity Report, NPA Relief Planning status, NPA exhaust projections (if available), NRUF update.
  4. Report of National Thousands Block Pooling Administrator: Activity report.
  5. Report of 3-Digit DIG IMG.
  6. Report of Oversight Working Group: NANPA 2002 Performance Report, Report and Analysis of PAS Forecast Processing (Verizon Dispute), Recommendation for Change Order 18, Monthly meeting with NANPA.
  7. Status of Industry Numbering Committee activities.
  8. Report of the Local Number Portability Administration (LNPA) Working Group: Wireless Number Portability Operations (WNPO) Subcommittee.
  9. Report from NBANC.
  10. Report of Cost Recovery Working Group.
  11. Update on USF IMG.
  12. Summary of Action Items.
  13. Steering Committee: Table of NANC Projects.
  14. Public Comments and Participation (5 minutes per speaker).
  15. Other Business.
- Adjourn no later than 5 p.m.