

Department of Pesticide Regulation



California Notice 2014-01

NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION REGARDING RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION OF PESTICIDE PRODUCTS FOR 2014

The Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), under Title 3, California Code of Regulations (3CCR) section 6255, files this notice of final decision regarding the 2014 renewal of pesticide product registrations with the Secretary of the Resources Agency to be posted for a period of 30 days for public inspection. DPR initially proposed to renew the registrations of pesticide products for the calendar year 2014 by posting a notice, dated November 4, 2013, for public review and comment under 3CCR section 6253.

Statutory and 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 & Agr. Code § 12824.) Once a pesticide is registered, it is subject to an orderly program of continuous reevaluation as set forth in regulation. (Food & Agr. Code § 12824; Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, §§ 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 & Agr. 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. (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, § 6210.) Therefore, upon the receipt of a complete and timely application, DPR is required to renew each pesticide registration within 60 days, except when the Director, after hearing, has cancelled the registration of, or denied the application to register the pesticide product. (Food & Agr. Code §§ 12816, 12825, 12827; Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, § 6215, subd., (b).)

The registration renewal process is separate and distinct from the process of reevaluation. Products already under reevaluation are renewed regardless of their reevaluation status. For those products not already in reevaluation, the Director must make a finding at the time of renewal that there is insufficient information to place such products into reevaluation. (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, § 6215.) 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. If the Director finds from the information received that a significant adverse impact has occurred or is likely to occur or that there is an alternative available that would such reduce such an impact, the pesticide involved must be reevaluated.

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(Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, § 6220.) During a reevaluation, DPR may determine that the pesticide should be classified as a restricted material, that additional restrictions on use are necessary, or that cancellation should be initiated. (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 3, § 6224.) Similar determinations could be made as a result of the continuous evaluation required by other statutory mandates. Information regarding ongoing reevaluations can be found on DPR's Web site located at http://cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/reevaluation/reevals.htm.

Comments Received in Response to the Notice of Proposed Decision

DPR did not receive any comments in response to California Notice 2013-10, Notice of Proposed Decision to Renew Pesticide Product Registrations for 2014.

Director's Finding

At this point in time, the Director finds that for all pesticides proposed for renewal that are not currently under reevaluation, sufficient information has not been received necessitating their reevaluation or the initiation of the cancellation process.

The Director's decision to renew the registrations of those pesticide products registered in 2013 for the calendar year 2014 is therefore adopted under FAC section 12817.

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