



Department of Pesticide Regulation

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TO: Pesticide Registrants and Other Stakeholders

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO COVID-19 AND PRIORITIZATION OF CERTAIN
DISINFECTANT PRODUCTS

In response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is following guidance from the Governor's Office, California Department of Public Health, and various other health organizations. DPR is responsible for the administration and enforcement of federal and state pesticide laws and programs. The work DPR does is critical for the food supply and protection of human health and environmental, which are essential functions that must be continued during the COVID-19 emergency.

DPR is continuing its day-to-day work protecting human health, safety, and the environment while implementing processes to maintain workflow and minimize disruptions to the pesticide registration process. During this demanding time, DPR is trying to uphold current timeframes; however, due to COVID-19, some delays may occur. Registrants can contact their assigned regulatory scientist if they have questions regarding specific in-house submissions.

At this time, DPR is postponing the Pesticide Registration Workshop 2020 until the fall. Other public meetings and workshops, such as the Pesticide Registration and Evaluation Committee meeting, will be transitioned to virtual formats with remote participation options.

Please note that DPR is currently prioritizing applications for disinfectant products that appear on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA) List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2. Applicants of such pesticide products may want to note on their cover letter that their product is included on U.S. EPA's list. Additionally, applications for alternate brand names and supplemental distributor products of products on U.S. EPA's list are also eligible for prioritization with DPR.

If you have questions regarding the registration process, please contact the Pesticide Registration Ombudsman, Mr. Russell Darling at <Registration.Ombudsman@cdpr.ca.gov> or by telephone at 916-324-3547.

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