TO: Pesticide Product Registrants and Other Stakeholders

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF REGISTRATION 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, a revised annual registration renewal fee. The increased renewal fee will support current and future business functions of the entire registration program, including legislatively expanded programs, personnel costs, and the development and implementation of the California Pesticide Electronic Submission Tracking (CalPEST) system. CalPEST will take the place of the current paper-based pesticide registration process and allow for new products, and amendments and renewals to currently registered pesticides to be submitted and accepted electronically.

Effective October 1, 2021, California Code of Regulations, Title 3 (3 CCR), section 6216 will reflect the increased annual registration renewal fee for each pesticide product submitted for renewal from $1,150 to $1,525 per product. Additionally, nonsubstantive changes were made to 3 CCR sections 6170 and 6170.5, and the Application for Pesticide Registration DPR-REG-030 was revised to reflect the new renewal fee as well as make nonsubstantive clarifying and editorial changes. The fee for each application to register a new pesticide product or amend a registered pesticide product will remain the same at $1,150 and $25, respectively.

The Certificates of Registration for currently registered pesticide products expire on December 31, 2021. DPR will mail registration renewal forms to current registrants in October 2021. Registrants may submit their annual application for pesticide product registration renewal until January 31, 2022, without incurring a late penalty fee. If the renewal application is postmarked February 1, 2022, or later, DPR will inactivate the product(s) effective January 1, 2022, and a late renewal penalty of $305 per product (20% of 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 2022 license.

To reflect the renewal fee change, DPR has revised the following application form:

Application for Pesticide Registration (DPR-REG-030, Rev.10/21)
This revised form is available on the Pesticide Registration Branch Web site at <https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/regforms/newappl/dpr-reg-030.pdf>. All applications to register new pesticide products postmarked on or after October 1, 2021, should be on the new form (Rev. 10/21). Applications submitted on the old form after February 1, 2022, will not be accepted.

The documents associated with the emergency regulation are available on DPR's Web site at <https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/legbills/emergregs.htm>.

If you have questions regarding the renewal fee change and/or revised application, please contact the Pesticide Registration Branch Ombudsman, Mr. Aron Lindgren by e-mail at <Registration.Ombudsman@cdpr.ca.gov> or by telephone at 916-324-3563.

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