

Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended, which contains this inert ingredient, may request within 30 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register that this rulemaking proposal be referred to an Advisory Committee in accordance with section 408(e) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulation. Comments must bear a notation indicating both the subject and the petition and document control number, "[OPP-300106]." All written comments filed in response to this notice of proposed rulemaking will be available for public inspection in the Registration Support and Emergency Response Branch at the address given above from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this rule from the requirements of section 3 of Executive Order 12291.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the Federal Register of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

(Sec. 408(e), 68 Stat. 514 (21 U.S.C. 346a(e)))

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: November 20, 1984.

Douglas D. Campit,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs

PART 180—[AMENDED]

Therefore, it is proposed that 40 CFR 180.1001(d) be amended by adding and alphabetically inserting the inert ingredient as follows:

§ 180.1001 Exemptions from the requirement of a tolerance.

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Inert ingredients	Limits	Uses
Camphor (CAS Registry No. 76-22-2).	Not more than 5% weight to weight (w/w) of pesticide formulations.	Deodorant, melting point adjustment.

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40 CFR Part 180

[OPP-300107; FRL-2726-4]

Methyl Esters of Fatty Acids; Proposed Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document proposes that methyl esters of fatty acids derived from edible fats and oils be exempted from the requirement of a tolerance when used as a solvent, cosolvent in pesticide formulations. This proposed regulation was requested by Stepan Co.

DATE: Written comments, identified by the document control number [OPP-300107], must be received on or before December 28, 1984.

ADDRESS:

By mail, submit comments to: Program Management and Support Division (TS-757C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, D.C. 20460.

In person, deliver comments to: Registration Support and Emergency Response Branch, Registration Division (TS-767), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 716A, CM#2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this notice may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR Part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice to the submitter. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 236 at the address given above from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

By mail: N. Bhushan Mandava, Registration Support and Emergency Response Branch, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St. SW., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Office location and telephone number: Registration Support and Emergency Response Branch, Rm. 724A, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22203, 703-557-7700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the request of the Stepan Co., the Administrator proposes to amend 40 CFR 180.1001(c) by establishing an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for methyl esters of fatty acids derived from edible fats and oils when used as a solvent, cosolvent in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops or to raw agricultural commodities after harvest.

Inert ingredients are all ingredients which are not active ingredients as defined in 40 CFR 162.3(c), and include, but are not limited to, the following types of ingredients (except when they have a pesticidal efficacy of their own): Solvents such as water; baits such as sugar, starches, and meat scraps; dust carriers such as talc and clay; fillers; wetting and spreading agents; propellants in aerosol dispensers; and emulsifiers. The term "inert" is not intended to imply nontoxicity; the ingredient may or may not be chemically active.

Preambles to proposed rulemaking documents of this nature include the common or chemical name of the substance under consideration, the name and address of the firm making the request for the exemption, and toxicological and other scientific bases used in arriving at a conclusion of safety in support of the exemption.

Name of inert ingredient. Methyl esters of fatty acids derived from edible fats and oils.

Name and address of requestor. Stepan Co., Northfield, IL 60093.

Bases for approval. (1) Methyl esters of fatty acids derived from edible fats and oils are cleared as a direct food additive under 21 CFR 172.225, with a 200-ppm residue tolerance in raisins.

(2) Methyl esters of higher fatty acids conforming to 21 CFR 573.640 are cleared under 40 CFR 180.1001(c) for use as an antistatting agent, when used in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops or to raw agricultural commodities after harvest.

Based on the above information, and review of its use, it has been found that, when used in accordance with good agricultural practices, this ingredient is useful and does not pose a hazard to humans or the environment. It is concluded, therefore, that the proposed amendment to 40 CFR Part 180 will protect the public health, and it is

proposed that the regulation be established as set forth below.

Any person who has registered or submitted an application for registration of a pesticide, under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended, which contains this inert ingredient, may request within 30 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** that this rulemaking proposal be referred to an Advisory Committee in accordance with section 408(e) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulation. Comments must bear a notation indicating both the subject and the petition and document control number, [OPP-300107]. All written comments filed in response to this notice of proposed rulemaking will be available for public inspection in the Registration Support and Emergency Response Branch at the address given above from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this rule from the requirements of section 3 of Executive Order 12291.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164; 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the **Federal Register** of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

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Dated: November 20, 1984.

Douglas D. Campt,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

PART 180—[AMENDED]

Therefore, it is proposed that 40 CFR 180.1001(c) be amended by adding and alphabetically inserting the inert ingredient as follows:

§ 180.1001 Exemptions from the requirement of a tolerance.

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Inert ingredients	Limits	Uses
Methyl esters of fatty acids derived from edible fats and oils.		Solvent, cosolvent.

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40 CFR Part 761

[OPTS-62035B; TSH-FRL 2727-6]

Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs); Use in Electrical Transformers; Change of Hearing Date

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Change of hearing date of proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA issued a proposed rule, published in the **Federal Register** of October 11, 1984 (49 FR 39966), to address the risks posed by fire-related events involving electrical transformers containing PCBs. An informal hearing, if requested was to be held on December 26, 1984, in Washington, D.C. Today's action changes only the date of the hearing.

DATE: The informal hearing, if requested will begin on January 14, 1985, in Washington, D.C. The exact time and location of the hearing will be available by calling the TSCA Assistance Office toll free at 800-424-9065 or, in Washington, D.C., by calling 554-1404. Comments on the issues raised on the proposed rule and requests to participate in the informal hearing must be submitted by December 10, 1984.

ADDRESS: Comments should include the docket number OPTS-62035 and should be submitted in triplicate to: TSCA Public Information Office (TS-793), Office of Toxic Substances, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-108, 401 M St., SW., Washington, D.C. 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward A. Klein, Director, TSCA Assistance Office (TS-799), Office of Toxic Substances, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-543, 401 M St., SW., Washington, D.C. 20460. Toll free: (800-424-9065), In Washington, D.C.: (554-1404), Outside the USA: (Operator-202-554-1404).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 761

Hazardous substances, Labeling, Polychlorinated biphenyls,

Recordkeeping and reporting requirements, Environmental protection. (15 U.S.C. 2605)

Dated: November 21, 1984.

John A. Moore,

Assistant Administrator for Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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40 CFR Part 761

[OPTS 62035A; TSH FRL-2665-1]

Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs); Manufacture, Processing, Distribution in Commerce and Use Prohibitions; Use in Electrical Transformers

Correction

In FR Doc. 84-26812, beginning on page 39966, in the issue of Thursday, October 11, 1984, make the following corrections:

1. On page 39966, in column one, the docket number should read as set forth above.
2. On page 39966, column two, under I. **Background**, line eleven, add a quotation mark (") before the word "any".
3. On page 39967, column one, fourth paragraph, line twenty-one, "dioxion" should read "dioxin".
4. On page 39969, column one, first complete paragraph, fifth line, the fourth word should read "potential".
5. On the same page, same column, last paragraph, sixth line from the bottom insert "6," in between "3", and "7".
6. In column two, second complete paragraph, fourth line, the first word should read "Contents" and the fourth word should read "transformer".
7. On page 39970, column three, first complete paragraph, line three, the last word should read "tetrachlorodibenzo-".
8. On page 39972, in column three, line seven, the second word should read "arcing".

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 531

Passenger Automobile Average Fuel Economy Standards; Model Year 1987 and Beyond; Grant of Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

ACTION: Grant of petition for rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice grants a petition for rulemaking submitted by the Center for Auto Safety (CFAS), requesting that the agency increase the automotive fuel economy standards for passenger cars in the 1987 model year and beyond. The Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act specifies a standard of 27.5 mpg for passenger automobiles for those model years, but allows amending that standard and establishing a higher one if the maximum feasible average level of fuel economy is higher than 27.5 mpg. The agency believes that the issues raised by the CFAS petition should be analyzed in the context of rulemaking, and the CFAS petition is granted to that extent. The granting of a petition does not mean that a rule will necessarily be issued. The determination of whether to issue a rule is made in the course of the rulemaking proceeding, in accordance with statutory criteria.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. William Boehly, Office of Market Incentives, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20590 (202-426-1740).

List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 531

Energy conservation, Gasoline, Imports, Motor vehicles.

(Sec. 9, Pub. L. 89-670, 80 Stat. 931 (49 U.S.C. 1657); Sec. 301, Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 901 (15 U.S.C. 2002); delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 49 CFR 501.8)

Issued on November 23, 1984.

Barry Felrice,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 663**

[Docket No. 41155-4155]

Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), NOAA, Commerce.

ACTION: Preliminary fishery specifications and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In this document the NMFS announces and requests comments on the preliminary 1985 specifications for groundfish taken in the fishery conservation zone (FCZ) and territorial waters off the coasts of Washington, Oregon, and California. These preliminary specifications estimate the

acceptable level of biological catch (ABC) as well as the optimum yield (OY) and its distribution among domestic and foreign fishing operations for groundfish species or species groups as required by the regulations implementing the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan.

DATE: Comments on the preliminary specifications for 1985 must be received by December 13, 1984. The aggregate data upon which these preliminary specifications are based are available for public inspection at the Regional Directors' offices during business hours (8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. PST weekdays) until the end of the comment period.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Dr. T.E. Kruse, Acting Regional Director, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Seattle, WA 98115 or Mr. E.C. Fullerton, Director, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 300 South Ferry Street, Terminal Island, CA 90731.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

T.E. Kruse at 206-526-6150 or E.C. Fullerton at 213-548-2575.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB Control Number 0648-0114. The Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) was approved by the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA, on January 4, 1982. The FMP, as amended, and its implementing regulations at 50 CFR Part 663 (47 FR 43964, October 5, 1982, and 49 FR 27518, July 5, 1984) state that management specifications for certain species (Pacific whiting, sablefish, Pacific ocean perch, shortbelly rockfish, widow rockfish, and, north of 39°N. latitude, jack mackerel) will be evaluated each calendar year, that preliminary specifications for the succeeding calendar year will be published in the *Federal Register*, public comment will be requested, and final specifications for that year will be published in the *Federal Register*. The management specifications are made for the ABC, an estimate of the annual catch that could be taken without jeopardizing a resource's productivity, and the OY, which is based on socioeconomic as well as biological factors and thus is not necessarily equal to the ABC. The OYs for these six species set the maximum amounts of fish (in round weight) that

may be taken and retained or landed each year from the FCZ (3-200 nautical miles) and the territorial sea (0-3 nautical miles off Washington, Oregon, and California).

The OY for each of these six species comprises several components that will be reassessed near July 1. The domestic annual harvest (DAH), which consists of estimates of domestic annual processing (DAP) and joint venture processing (JVP), is verified by surveys in November and June of the needs of the domestic fishing and processing industries. The total allowable level of foreign fishing (TALFF) is the remainder, if any, of OY after domestic needs have been subtracted. Before TALFF is designated, a reserve of 20 percent of OY is established in case the domestic industry needs more Pacific whiting than initially estimated.

The OYs and ABCs may be changed during the year, within limits, under the procedures outlined at 50 CFR 663.22.

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) reviewed and approved the preliminary specifications for ABCs for 1985 and received public comment at its September 19-20, 1984, meeting in Portland, Oregon. The Council made no recommendations regarding OY estimates, consequently NMFS proposes maintaining the same proportion between OY and ABC as in 1984; OY equals the ABC for all species except sablefish, for which OY is 30 percent higher.

Between the time the Council adopted the preliminary ABC specifications and this notice was published, updated biological analyses were received from the Council's Groundfish Management Team and released to the public by the Council. These revisions contain the best available data at this time. The revised specifications are presented below, and in some cases differ from the numbers the Council recommended in September as preliminary ABC estimates.

The 1985 preliminary management specifications are listed in Tables 1 and 2, followed by a discussion of the specifications for each species with a numerical OY and any changes made from the 1984 ABC estimates. These specifications of OYs and ABCs do not exceed the coastwide OYs and ABCs specified in 1984 by more than 30 percent.

TABLE 1.—PRELIMINARY SPECIFICATIONS OF OY AND ITS DISTRIBUTION FOR 1985

[In thousands of metric tons]

Species	Total OY	DAP	JVP ¹	DAH	Reserve	TALFF ¹
Pacific whiting.....	175.0	10.0	20.0	130.0	35.0	10.0
Sablefish.....	16.0	16.0	0.0	16.0	0.0	0.0