

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule extends a food additive regulation for the plant growth regulator ethephon in or on sugarcane molasses. This regulation is extended in conjunction with an experimental use permit requested by Union Carbide to permit the continued marketing of sugarcane molasses while further data are collected on ethephon.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective on October 17, 1984.

ADDRESS: Written objections, identified by the document control number [FAP OH5283/R859], may be submitted to the: Hearing Clerk (A-110), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 3708, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Robert J. Taylor, Product Manager (PM) 25, Registration Division (TS-787C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 245, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202, (703-557-1800).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA issued a regulation, published in the Federal Register of March 12, 1981 (46 FR 16256), permitting the residues of the plant growth regulator ethephon [(2-chloroethyl)phosphonic acid] in sugarcane molasses with a tolerance limitation of 7 parts per million (ppm), resulting from the application of the plant growth regulator to growing sugarcane in conjunction with an experimental use program.

In the Federal Register of July 28, 1982 (47 FR 32525), at the request of the Union Carbide Agricultural Products Co., P.O. Box 12014, T.W. Alexander Dr., Research Triangle Park, NC 27799, EPA renewed the regulation to expire July 16, 1984.

The data submitted in the petition and other relevant material were evaluated and discussed in the initial regulation published in the Federal Register of March 2, 1981 (46 FR 16256).

The metabolism of ethephon is adequately understood, and an adequate analytical method is available for enforcement purposes. The pesticide is considered useful for the purpose for which the regulation is sought, and it is concluded that the pesticide can be safely used in the prescribed manner when such use is in accordance with the label and labeling registered pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended (86 Stat. 973; 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*).

Any person adversely affected by this

regulation may, within 30 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register, file written objections with the Hearing Clerk, at the address given above. Such objections should specify the provisions of the regulation deemed objectionable and the grounds for the objections. If a hearing is requested, the objections must state the issues for the hearing and the grounds for the objections. A hearing will be granted if the objections are supported by grounds legally sufficient to justify the relief sought.

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 food or feed additive levels, or conditions for safe use of additives, or raising such food or feed additive levels 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 24945).

(Sec. 409(c)(1), 72 Stat. 1788 [21 U.S.C. 346(c)(1)])

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 193

Food additives, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: September 27, 1984.

Steven Schatzow,
Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

PART 193—[AMENDED]

Therefore, 21 CFR 193.186(b) is amended by extending the expiration date for sugarcane molasses, to read as follows:

§ 193.186 Ethephon.

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(b) * * *

Foods	Parts per million	Company	Expiration date
Sugarcane, molasses.	7.0	Union Carbide	July 19, 1986.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

30 CFR Parts 210, 212, 217, 218, 219, 228, 229, 241, and 243

Implementation of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982

Correction

In FR Doc. 84-25018, beginning on page 37336 in the issue of Friday, September 21, 1984, make the following corrections:

1. On page 37344, column one, the third word in the twenty-first line of the first complete paragraph should read, "protect".

§ 212.51 [Corrected]

2. On page 37345, third column, in § 212.51(c), insert the word "records" between the words "keep" and "shall" in the third line.

§ 241.20 [Corrected]

3. On page 37352, first column, in § 241.20(b), add the word "for" to the end of the next to last line.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Ch. 5

[GSAR AC-84-8]

Disputes and Appeals

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Temporary regulation.

SUMMARY: This Acquisition Circular temporarily amends § 533.7103-1(c) (1) and (2) of the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulations (GSAR), APD 2800.12, to reverse the order for placement of documents in appeal files in order to conform with the June 1, 1984 rules of the GSA Board of Contract Appeals. The intended effect is to implement the requirement of the Board rules in the regulation.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 5, 1984.

Expiration Date: This Acquisition Circular expires 6 months after issuance unless canceled earlier or extended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ida Ustad, Office of GSA Acquisition Policy and Regulations (VP), (202) 523-4754.