

Washington DC, in conference room number 17 in the Washington Information Center (WIC). Three copies of the request to participate in the informal hearing, identified with the docket number OPPTS-66015A must be submitted to: OPPT Document Control Officer, Attn: TSCA Docket Receipts (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Rm. G-99, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for the type of information that must be included in the request and who may participate. Requests for a waiver to participate in the informal hearing by those organizations that did not file main comments must be sent to EPA Headquarters Hearing Clerk, Mail Code 1900, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Rm. E-543B, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone: (202) 554-1404, TDD: (202) 554-0551, FAX: (202) 554-5603 (document requests only).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The procedures for rulemaking under section 6 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) are identified in 40 CFR part 750, subpart A. The following summarizes the procedures and logistics associated with this informal hearing pursuant to 40 CFR part 750. Participants and/or commenters are advised to see 40 CFR part 750 for greater detail.

Each person or organization desiring to participate in the informal hearing shall file a written request to participate with the OPPT Document Control Officer, TSCA Docket Receipts (see ADDRESSES above). The request shall be received on or before February 16, 1994. The request shall include: (1) A brief statement of the interest of the person or organization in the proceeding; (2) a brief outline of the points to be addressed; (3) an estimate of the time required; and (4) if the request comes from an organization, a nonbinding list of the persons to take part in the presentation. An organization that has not filed main comments on the rulemaking will not be allowed to participate in the hearing, unless a waiver of this requirement is granted by the Record and Hearing Clerk (see ADDRESSES above) or the organization is appearing at the request of EPA or under subpoena (40 CFR 750.6(a)).

A panel of EPA employees shall preside at the hearing, and one panel member will chair the proceedings. The panel may question any individual or group participating in the hearing on any subject relating to the rulemaking. Cross-examination will normally not be permitted at this stage. However, persons in the hearing audience may submit questions in writing for the hearing panel to ask the participants, and the hearing panel may, at their discretion, ask these questions (40 CFR 750.7(a) and (b)). See 40 CFR 750.7(c) for the rule governing the submission of additional material by the hearing participants.

After the close of the hearing, any participant in the hearing may submit a written request for cross-examination. The request shall be received by EPA no later than 1 week after a full transcript of the hearing becomes available (to determine when the transcript is available, interested persons may contact the Environmental Assistance Division (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT above)). See 40 CFR 750.8 for a description of the information that shall be included in such a request.

Interested persons may file reply comments. Reply comments shall be received on or before March 23, 1994, and shall be restricted to comments on: (1) Other comments; (2) material in the hearing record; and (3) material which was not and could not possibly have been available to the commenting party a sufficient time before main comments were due on January 3, 1994. (40 CFR 750.4(a) and (b)). Extensions of time for filing reply comments may be granted pursuant to 40 CFR 750.4(c). Reply comments and a transcript of the hearing will be placed in the Nonconfidential Information Center as part of the rulemaking record for the proposed rule (docket number OPPTS-66015). A full list of these materials is available for inspection and copying in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center from 12 noon to 4 p.m. However, any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) that is part of the record for this rulemaking is not available for public review. A public version of the record, from which information claimed as CBI has been excluded, is available for inspection. The address for the TSCA Docket Receipts appears under the "ADDRESSES" section of this notice.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 761

Environmental protection, Hazardous substances, Labeling, Polychlorinated biphenyls, Reporting and Recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: January 18, 1994.

**Mark Greenwood,**  
Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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#### 40 CFR Part 799

[OPPTS-42150A; FRL-4756-9]

#### Acetophenone, Phenol, N,N-Dimethylaniline, Ethyl Acetate and 2,6-Dimethylphenol; Proposed Test Rule Correction and Extension of Public Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; correction and extension of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is extending the public comment period for 30 days, from January 21, 1994 to February 22, 1994, and correcting a proposed test rule published in the Federal Register of November 22, 1993 (58 FR 61654) requiring manufacturers and processors of five chemicals (acetophenone, phenol, N,N-dimethylaniline, ethyl acetate, and 2,6-dimethylphenol) to conduct testing for certain chemical fate, health and environmental effects. **DATES:** Submit written comments on or before February 22, 1994.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments identified by the document control number [OPPTS-42150] and the chemical specific document number in triplicate to: TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, East Tower, Rm. G-99, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. A public version of the administrative record supporting this action, without confidential business information (CBI), is available for inspection at the above address in Rm. G-102, from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division, (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Rm. E-543B, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD (202) 554-0551.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Extension of Comment Period

On November 22, 1993, EPA promulgated a proposed rule, 40 CFR 799.4450, that would require testing of five chemicals for certain chemical fate,

health and environmental effects under section 4(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). The chemicals and their chemical-specific docket numbers are: acetophenone, 42150A/42151A; phenol, 42150A/42152A; N,N-dimethylaniline, 42150A/42153A; ethyl acetate, 42150A/42141B; and 2,6-dimethylphenol, 42150A/42154A. EPA has received requests from the Chemical Manufacturers Association for a 30-day extension of the comment period and from the General Electric Company for a 90-day extension. EPA believes that providing an additional 30-day period to prepare written comments is reasonable, and EPA is extending the written comment period for the proposed test rule until February 22, 1994.

## II. Corrections

In addition, EPA is making the following corrections in the proposed rule:

1. On page 61657, in Table 1, third column ("Guideline"), third entry from the bottom (opposite "River die-away testing" in second column), change "(incorporated by reference) ????" to "ASTM E-1279-89."

2. On page 61659, third column, first full paragraph, which is headed "3. Substantial human exposure finding," in the thirteenth line of the paragraph, change "341,516" to "320,914".

3. On page 61670, in § 799.4450, second column, paragraph (d)(2)(i)(A), delete the phrase "and 2,6-dimethylphenol."

### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 799

Chemicals, Chemical exports, Environmental protection, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Testing.

Dated: January 14, 1994.

Charles M. Auer,

Director, Chemical Control Division.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 227

#### Listing Endangered and Threatened Species and Designating Critical Habitat: Petition To List Coho Salmon Throughout Its Range in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and California

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of petition finding and request for information.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS has received a petition to list, either on an emergency basis or through normal listing procedures, coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) throughout its range in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and California, and to designate critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA). The petition presents substantial scientific information indicating that the request for a non-emergency listing may be warranted. Therefore, NMFS is initiating a status review to determine if the petitioned action is warranted. To ensure that the review is comprehensive, NMFS is soliciting information and data regarding this action. Information received during the comment period for this status review will be used in NMFS' ongoing review of coho salmon populations in California, Oregon, and Washington (including Puget Sound).

**DATES:** Comments and information must be received on March 28, 1994.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the petition are available from, and comments should be submitted to, Merritt Tuttle, Chief, Environmental and Technical Services Division, NMFS, 911 NE 11th Avenue, room 620, Portland, OR 97232.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Garth Griffin, NMFS, Northwest Region (503) 230-5430; Jim Lecky, NMFS, Southwest Region, (310) 980-4015; or Marta Nammack, NMFS, Office of Protected Resources, (301) 713-2322.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Section 4 of the ESA contains provisions allowing interested persons to petition the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Commerce to add a species to or remove a species from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and to designate critical habitat. Section 4(b)(3)(A) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544) requires that, to the maximum extent practicable, within 90 days after receiving such a petition, the Secretary make a finding whether the petition presents substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that the petitioned action may be warranted.

##### Petition Received

On October 20, 1993, the Secretary of Commerce received a petition from The Pacific Rivers Council (PRC) and 22 co-petitioners to list, either on an emergency basis or through normal

listing procedures, coho salmon throughout its range in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and California, and to designate critical habitat under the ESA. The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA (AA), has determined that there is insufficient evidence demonstrating the existence of an emergency posing a significant risk to the well-being of the species and, thus, the request for an emergency rule is denied. The AA makes a finding that the petition presents substantial scientific information indicating that a non-emergency listing may be warranted based on the criteria specified in 50 CFR 424.14(b)(2), and based on evidence presented in the petition that the petitioned populations may qualify as "species" under the ESA, in accordance with NMFS' "Policy on Applying the Definition of Species under the Endangered Species Act to Pacific Salmon" (56 FR 58612, November 20, 1991). Under section 4(b)(3)(A) of the ESA, this finding requires that a review of the status of coho salmon populations in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and California be conducted to determine if the petitioned action is warranted. In keeping with section 4(b)(3)(B) of the ESA, the Secretary will make his determination on the PRC *et al.* petition within 12 months of the date it was received (October 12, 1993). Information received during this status review will be used in NMFS' ongoing review of coho salmon populations in California, Oregon, and Washington (58 FR 57770, October 27, 1993).

#### Listing Factors and Basis for Determination

Under section 4(a)(1) of the ESA, a species can be determined to be endangered or threatened for any of the following reasons: (1) Present or threatened destruction, modification, or curtailment of its habitat or range; (2) overutilization for commercial, recreational, scientific, or educational purposes; (3) disease or predation; (4) inadequacy of existing regulatory mechanisms; or (5) other natural or manmade factors affecting its continued existence. In addition, under section 4(b)(7) of the ESA, the Secretary of Commerce may at any time issue an emergency regulation if there exists a significant risk to the well-being of the species. In such a case, the Secretary must publish a Federal Register notice detailing the reasons for an emergency listing. Listing determinations are made solely on the best scientific and commercial data available.