

agreements (North American Free-Trade Agreement).

### Proposed Amendments to the Regulations

It is proposed to amend part 181, Customs Regulations (19 CFR part 181), as set forth below.

### PART 181—NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

1. The authority citation for part 181 would continue to read as follows:

**Authority:** 19 U.S.C. 66, 1202 (General Note 23, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States), 1624, 3314.

2. Subpart L of part 181 is amended by adding a new § 181.132 to read as follows:

#### § 181.132 Disassembly.

(a) *Treated as a production.* For purposes of implementing the rules of origin provisions of General Note 12, HTSUS, and Chapter Four of the NAFTA, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, disassembly is considered to be production, and a component recovered from a good disassembled in the territory of a Party will be considered to be originating as the result of such disassembly provided that:

(1) The recovered component satisfies all applicable requirements of Annex 401 and this part; and

(2) Where the rule in Annex 401 applicable to the recovered component does not include a regional value content requirement, the recovered component is thereafter advanced in value or improved in condition by means of additional processing operations other than those listed below. Merely processing by performing any or all of the following minor operations would not be sufficient to be considered production:

(i) Cleaning or sterilizing, including removal of rust, grease, paint, or other coatings;

(ii) Application of preservative or decorative coatings, including lubricants, protective encapsulation, preservative or decorative paint, or metallic coatings;

(iii) Trimming, filing or cutting off small amounts of excess materials (precision machining, however, is not considered a minor operation);

(iv) Unloading, reloading or any other operation necessary to maintain the good in good condition;

(v) Packing, re-packing, packaging or repackaging; or

(vi) Testing, marking, sorting, or grading.

(b) *Exception; new goods.*

Disassembly as provided in paragraph

(a) of this section will not be considered a production in the case of components that are recovered from new goods.

(c) *Automotive components/goods.*

Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule V (Automotive Goods) of the Appendix to this part, the rule set forth in this section applies for purposes of determining whether goods of that Schedule are originating.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 40 CFR Chapter I

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#### Endangered Species and Pesticide Regulation; Reopening of Comment Period

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

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** This document reopens the public comment period established in an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) issued in the **Federal Register** of January 24, 2003. In that document, EPA sought comment on an ANPR for an endangered species and pesticide regulation. EPA is hereby reopening the comment period, which ended on March 10, 2003. The new comment period will end March 25, 2003.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by the docket ID number OPP-2003-0010, must be received on or before March 25, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the January 24, 2003 **Federal Register** document.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

##### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general and may be of particular interest to persons who manufacture, sell or use pesticides or who are part of a State or Tribe engaged in the regulation of pesticide products and to groups interested in environmental regulation. The Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult Arthur-Jean Williams at the telephone number/ e-mail address listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

##### B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP-2003-0010. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. A frequently updated electronic version of 40 CFR Chapter I is available at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfrhtml/00/Title\\_40/40cfr1\\_00.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfrhtml/00/Title_40/40cfr1_00.html), a beta site currently under development.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public