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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2003-0095; FRL-7301-8]

Dynamac Corporation; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that pesticide related information submitted to EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), including information that may have been claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) by the submitter, will be transferred to Dynamac Corporation in accordance with 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2). Dynamac Corporation has been awarded multiple contracts to perform work for OPP, and access to this information will enable Dynamac Corporation to fulfill the obligations of the contracts.

DATES: Dynamac Corporation will be given access to this information on or before April 14, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erik R. Johnson, FIFRA Security Officer, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-7248; e-mail address: johnson.erik@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action applies to the public in general. As such, 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 the person 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-2003-0095. 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/>.

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 docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

II. Contractor Requirements

1. Under Contract No. 68-W0-0070, the contract shall require the contractor to research, evaluate, and analyze data and information pertaining to the ecotoxicity of pesticides and concentrations of pesticides in the environment—including soil, water, wildlife food items such as foliage and insects, and to complete ecological risk assessments as specified in the Statement of Work. Assessments completed by the contractor shall analyze all valid and adequate data, including data studies retrieved from the open literature, as well as any ecological toxicity documents provided by registrants or other governmental bodies and present in detailed summary of the results.

2. Under Contract No. 68-W0-0171, this contract will provide support primarily in the area of review and evaluation of available data pertaining to the chemistry and fate of pesticides

in the environment (including the evaluation of environmental monitoring data), and, secondarily, the assessment of pesticide fate and transport in the environment. It may require the contractor, on occasion, to conduct research to understand science issues, support scientific workshops, conduct analyses of issues and provide science policy options. EPA's Environmental Fate and Evaluation Division (EFED) will make available to the contractor the data, studies, and information which is to be reviewed.

These contracts involve no subcontractors.

OPP has determined that the contracts described in this document involve work that is being conducted in connection with FIFRA, in that pesticide chemicals will be the subject of certain evaluations to be made under the contracts. These evaluations may be used in subsequent regulatory decisions under FIFRA.

Some of this information may be entitled to confidential treatment. The information has been submitted to EPA under sections 3, 4, 6, and 7 of FIFRA and under sections 408 and 409 of FFDCA.

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3), the contracts with Dynamac Corporation, prohibits use of the information for any purpose not specified in these contracts; prohibits disclosure of the information to a third party without prior written approval from the Agency; and requires that each official and employee of the contractor sign an agreement to protect the information from unauthorized release and to handle it in accordance with the FIFRA Information Security Manual. In addition, Dynamac Corporation is required to submit for EPA approval a security plan under which any CBI will be secured and protected against unauthorized release or compromise. No information will be provided to Dynamac Corporation until the requirements in this document have been fully satisfied. Records of information provided to Dynamac Corporation will be maintained by EPA Project Officers for these contracts. All information supplied to Dynamac Corporation by EPA for use in connection with these contracts will be returned to EPA when Dynamac Corporation has completed its work.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Business and industry, Government contracts, Government property, Security measures.