

registration number in Table 1 of this unit.

A. Background Information

Diazinon is an organophosphorous insecticide and is one of the most widely used insecticides in the U.S. It is used for outdoor non-agricultural, as well as agricultural, pest control.

Under the December 5, 2000 MOA between the technical registrants of diazinon and the EPA, as well as a February 14, 2001 letter from Drexel Chemical Co., both Makhteshim Chemical Works, Ltd. and Drexel Chemical Co. requested, under FIFRA section 6(f), that EPA cancel, effective as of June 30, 2003, the registrations of all diazinon manufacturing-use products permitting formulation for outdoor non-agricultural use. In a June 5, 2003 letter, Walla Walla Environmental, Inc. requested, under FIFRA section 6(f), that EPA cancel, effective August 31, 2003, the registration of one outdoor non-agricultural end-use product. EPA intends to grant these requests by issuing a cancellation order at the close of the comment period for this announcement, unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of these requests.

The Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document summarizes the findings of EPA's reregistration process for individual chemical cases, and reflects the Agency's decision on risk assessment and risk management for uses of individual pesticides. Diazinon belongs to a group of pesticides known as organophosphates (OPs). EPA has issued the Interim RED assessing the risks of exposure from diazinon.

B. Requests for Voluntary Cancellation

Under section 6(f)(1)(A) of FIFRA, registrants may request, at any time, that their pesticide registrations be canceled or amended to terminate one or more pesticide uses. Section 6(f)(1)(B) of FIFRA requires that before acting on a request for voluntary cancellation, EPA must provide a 30-day public comment period on the request for voluntary cancellation. In addition, section 6(f)(1)(C) of FIFRA requires that EPA provide a 180-day comment period on a request for voluntary termination of any minor agricultural use before granting the request, unless (1) the registrants request a waiver of the comment period, or (2) the Administrator determines that continued use of the pesticide would pose an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment. Makhteshim Chemical Works, Ltd., Drexel Chemical Co., and Walla Walla Environmental, Inc. have

requested a waiver of the comment period. The EPA will therefore apply a 30-day comment period.

TABLE 1.—REGISTRATIONS PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION WITH

Registration No.	Product name	Chemical name
11678–62	Diazol Diazinon Technical Stabilized HG	Diazinon
11678–64	Diazol Diazinon Stabilized Oil Concentrate HG	Diazinon
19713–524	Drexel Diazinon Technical HG	Diazinon
47332–4	CPF-2D Insecticide	Diazinon

Unless the Agency determines that there are substantive comments that warrant further review of these requests, an order will be issued canceling all of these registrations.

Table 2 of this unit includes the names and addresses of record for all registrants of the products in Table 1 of this unit, in sequence by EPA company number:

TABLE 2.—REGISTRANTS REQUESTING VOLUNTARY CANCELLATION

EPA Company No.	Company name and address
11678	Makhteshim Chemical Works, Ltd. 551 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1100 New York, NY 10176
19713	Drexel Chemical Co., 1700 Channel Avenue P.O. Box 13327 Memphis, TN 38113
47332	Walla Walla Environmental, Inc., P.O. Box 1298, Walla Walla, WA 99362

III. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may at any time request that any of its pesticide registrations be canceled. FIFRA further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**. Thereafter, the Administrator may approve such a request.

IV. Provisions for Disposition of Existing Stocks

The Agency intends to issue a cancellation order following consideration of all comments received during the comment period, unless the comments warrant further review of this request.

Existing stocks are those stocks of registered pesticide products which are currently in the United States and which have been packaged, labeled, and released for shipment prior to the effective date of the cancellation action. In a 2000 MOA between the EPA and the technical registrants of diazinon, the involved parties agreed to the following existing stocks provisions for outdoor non-agricultural manufacturing-use and end-use products:

A. Outdoor Non-Agricultural Manufacturing-Use Products

1. *Distribution or sale.* The distribution or sale of existing stocks of any outdoor non-agricultural manufacturing-use product referenced in this Notice (EPA Reg. No. 11678–62, 11678–64, and 19713–524) will not be lawful after the effective cancellation date, except for the purposes of export consistent with FIFRA section 17 and proper disposal in accordance with applicable law.

2. *Use for producing other products.* The use of existing stocks of any manufacturing-use product referenced in this Notice for formulation into any other product labeled for outdoor non-agricultural use will not be lawful under FIFRA after the effective date of the cancellation order.

The effective date of the cancellation order is intended to be immediate for the products listed in Table 1; however, EPA will consider any comments received within 30 days of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register** prior to canceling the affected registrations.

B. Outdoor Non-Agricultural End-Use Products

1. *Distribution or sale by Registrant.* The distribution, sale, or use of existing stocks by Walla Walla Environmental, Inc. of the end-use product referenced in this Notice (EPA Reg. No. 47332–4) will not be lawful under FIFRA after August 31, 2003, except for purposes of shipping such stocks for export consistent with the requirements of FIFRA section 17 or proper disposal in accordance with applicable law.

2. *Retail and other distribution or sale.* The distribution or sale of existing stocks by persons other than Walla Walla Environmental, Inc. will be