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II. Background

What Action is the Agency Taking?

This notice announces receipt by the Agency of requests from Syngenta Protection Crop, Inc. and Helm Agro US, Inc. to cancel the registration of 14 pesticide products registered under section 3 or 24(c) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide

Act (FIFRA). The 14 registrations constitute all registrations held by Syngenta Crop Protection, Incorporated and Helm Agro US, Incorporated of products containing *S*-ethyl hexahydro-1H-azepine-1-carbothioate (molinate). These requests are submitted pursuant to section 6(f) of FIFRA.

On June 2, 2003, Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc., and on August 7, 2003, Helm Agro US, Inc. submitted a letter to EPA requesting cancellation, effective June 30, 2008, of the registrations of all their molinate products, and to modify the terms and conditions of its molinate

registration until the cancellation is effective. Syngenta and Helm also requested that the Administrator waive the 180-day waiting period under FIFRA section 6(f)(1)(C)(ii).

Molinate (*S*-ethyl hexahydro-1H-azepine-1-carbothioate) is a thiocarbamate herbicide registered for use primarily for the control of water grass in rice. Rice is grown in California and the south central/south eastern states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Texas, and Tennessee. The registrations subject to the requests for cancellation are listed in Table 1 of this unit:

TABLE 1.—REGISTRATIONS WITH PENDING REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION

Registration number	Product name	Chemical name
100–981	Riceco Molinate Technical	Molinate
100–982	Riceco Touche	Molinate
100–983	Molinate 15G	Molinate
100–1021	Ordram 8–E An Emulsifiable Liquid Herbicide	Molinate
100–1036	Arrosolo 3–3E	Molinate
100–1039	Ordram 15–G	Molinate
100–1040	Ordram Technical Herbicide	Molinate
100–1102	Ordram 15–GM Rice Herbicide	Molinate
74530–7	Molinate Technical	Molinate
CA77015900	Ordram 8–E An Emulsifiable Liquid Herbicide	Molinate
CA84017200	Ordram 8–E An Emulsifiable Liquid Herbicide	Molinate
CA85005300	Ordram 8–E An Emulsifiable Liquid Herbicide	Molinate
TX81002600	Ordram 8–E An Emulsifiable Liquid Herbicide	Molinate
TN93000700	Ordram 15–G	Molinate

At the close of the comment period, EPA intends to issue an order granting these cancellation requests, unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of these requests, or the requests have been withdrawn. Users of these pesticides or anyone else desiring the retention of a registration should send in their comments to EPA. In addition, they may wish to contact the applicable registrant directly.

Table 2 of this unit includes the name and address of record for the registrants of the products in Table 1 of this unit:

TABLE 2. —REGISTRANTS REQUESTING VOLUNTARY CANCELLATION

EPA Company number	Company name and address
100	Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc., P.O. Box 18300, Greensboro, NC 27419–8300
74530	Helm Agro US, Inc., Nordkanalstrasse 28 D–20097, Hamburg, Germany

A. Modification of the Terms and Conditions of the Molinate Registrations

The 2002 sales level of the molinate active ingredient will be the maximum amount that Syngenta and Helm will sell or distribute in 2004, 2005, and 2006. Syngenta and Helm may not sell or distribute any more than 75% of the 2002 sales levels in the year 2007, and sell or distribute more than 50% of the 2002 sales levels in the year 2008.

Syngenta and Helm will provide annual production/sales reports to the Agency beginning in the year 2004 through 2009. Syngenta and Helm will also provide inventory reports for the years 2007, 2008, and 2009. These