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Maintaining a Pesticide Registration at EPA

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Pesticide Registration Maintenance Fees

- ◆ A new requirement for annual pesticide registration maintenance fees was created by the 1988 amendments to FIFRA. Collection of these fees was authorized through 1997.
- ◆ The Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) of 1996 amended FIFRA, including extension of the annual maintenance fees through 2001.
- ◆ Pending legislation, the Pesticide Maintenance Fees Reauthorization Act (Senate bill 1474), would extend collection of the maintenance fees through 2006.



Pesticide Registration Maintenance Fees

- ◆ From 1989 through 2001 FIFRA prohibited any other fees other than the maintenance fees for registration of a pesticide. The pending legislation would extend that prohibition through 2006.
- ◆ There are no fee waivers permitted on the basis of economic hardship. Fee waivers are available only if a product meets the criteria for a public health pesticide or for minor agricultural use.



Pesticide Registration Maintenance Fees

- ◆ Assuming the pending legislation is passed by Congress in a timely manner, the 2002 maintenance fee mailing will go out in late November and the fees will be due on January 15, 2002.
- ◆ You may call 800-444-7255 with any questions concerning the maintenance fees.



Change of Address

- ◆ If you change your address, you must notify the EPA and formally change your address of record per PR Notice 2000-4. If mail sent to you returns undeliverable, you may not pay your maintenance fee and have your registration cancelled.

