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Maintenance Fees

Reregistration and Expedited Processing Fund

Under FIFRA section 4(i)(5)(C), Maintenance Fees, the EPA is authorized to collect an aggregate amount of \$22 million for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012 to support certain activities. Maintenance fees are a yearly product registration renewal fee. These fees are placed in the Reregistration and Expedited Processing Fund. In FY 2012, about \$589 thousand (supporting 4.1 work years) from this fund was used to carry out new inert ingredient reviews under section 4(k)(3). An additional \$2.3 million (supporting 15.9 work years) from this fund was used to process fast track amendments and new products under FIFRA Section 3(c)(3)(B).

During FY 2012, the agency's obligations charged against the Reregistration and Expedited Processing Fund to offset the cost of the reregistration and registration review programs and other authorized pesticide programs were \$22 million and 120.8 work years. The Fund has two types of receipts: fee collections and interest earned on investments. Of the \$22 million in FY 2012 receipts, more than 99.98% were fee collections.

Appropriated funds are used in addition to Reregistration and Expedited Processing Fund dollars. In FY 2012, the Enacted Operating Plan included approximately \$33.2 million in appropriated funds for reregistration and registration review program activities. This supported 199.1 work years and \$901thousand in contract support, which included data reviews, systems maintenance and enhancements, and other expenses. The unobligated balance in the Fund at the end of FY 2012 was zero.