Implementing the Pesticide Registration Improvement Act - Fiscal Year 2015

Twelfth Annual Report



Maintenance Fees

Pesticide Reevaluation Programs: Product Reregistration and Registration Review Accomplishments

Status of Product Reregistration

Overall Accomplishments

In the Reregistration Program the EPA completed a review of the safety of all pesticide active ingredients first registered before November 1984. The results of those reviews are summarized in Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) documents available on the Agency's Chemical Search website. Product reregistration is EPA's program for implementing (REDs) by ensuring that required risk reduction measures are reflected on pesticide product labels. After the EPA completed a RED for a pesticide active ingredient and declared it eligible for reregistration, individual end-use products that contained that active ingredient still were required to be reregistered.

From the initiation of product reregistration up to the end of FY'15 the number of products subject to reregistration was 25,004. Additional products (420) were added to the product reregistration universe due to increases in the number of products associated with Product Specific Data Call-Ins for seven antimicrobial reregistration cases. The EPA has completed decisions for 19,865 products, and 5,139 products are still awaiting decisions.

FY'15 Progress

During FY'15, the EPA completed 649 product reregistration decisions.

| | FY 03 | FY 04 | FY 05 | FY 06 | FY 07 | FY 08 | FY 09 | FY 10 | FY 11 | FY 12 | FY 13 | FY14 | FY15 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Products reregistered | 53 | 78 | 104 | 169 | 529 | 679 | 603 | 484 | 373 | 186 | 81 | 65 | 26 |
| Products amended | 40 | 35 | 63 | 40 | 80 | 205 | 292 | 40 | 460 | 980 | 455 | 166 | 191 |
| Products cancelled | 213 | 14 | 342 | 297 | 370 | 309 | 869 | 1,188 | 379 | 92 | 148 | 61 | 432 |
| Products suspended | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 26 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 311 | 127 | 509 | 506 | 979 | 1,196 | 1,769 | 1,718 | 1,218 | 1,284 | 686 | 296 | 649 |

Historical Product Reregistration Decisions

REDs with Product Reregistration Decisions Completed

As of the end of FY'15, the EPA had completed product reregistration decisions for 282 REDs (out of a total of 384 REDs).

Status of Registration Review

Overall Status

Following the completion of the active ingredient reregistration, amendments to FIFRA require the EPA to review each registered pesticide every 15 years to determine whether it continues to meet the statutory standard for registration. The EPA is reevaluating pesticides primarily through the registration review program. Registration review, as mandated by FIFRA Section 3(g), ensures that as the ability to assess risk evolves and as policies and practices change, all pesticides in the marketplace can still be used safely.

The EPA is continuing to meet all registration review targets consistent with overall program objectives. At the end of FY'15, out of a universe of over 700 registration review cases (a registration review case is one or more active ingredients that have been determined to be sufficiently similar to be grouped together and represented by one set of data), which includes more than 1,100 pesticide active ingredients, over 610 cases have completed the docket opening stage, 580 cases have completed the final work plan stage, and 155 registration review interim and final decisions had been completed.

FY'15 Accomplishments

During FY'15, the pace of registration review continued. We opened 84 new dockets and completed 89 final work plans. In addition, during FY'15, we completed 46 registration review interim and final decisions.

| Fiscal Year | Dockets Opened | Final Work Plans Completed | Decisions Completed ^b |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| FY'07 | 25 | 14 | 3 |
| FY'08 | 46 | 35 | 7 |
| FY'09 | 69 | 60 | 14 |
| FY'10 | 75 | 72 | 21 |
| FY'11 | 83 | 80 | 23 |
| FY'12 | 79 | 72 | 11 |
| FY'13 | 77 | 79 | 8 |
| FY'14 | 74 | 79 | 22 |
| FY'15 | 84 | 89 | 46 |
| TOTAL | 612 | 580 | 155 |

Registration Review Progress FY'07 – FY'15^a

^a Changes to annual registration review milestone totals have been revised based on changes to rules for when to count some milestone accomplishments.

^b Includes interim decisions as described in 40 CFR § 155.56.

In FY'15, the EPA continued to open dockets for new registration review cases at the pace that must be maintained in order to finish the initial 15-year cycle on schedule in 2022.