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Subject: FW: 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid (2,4-D), a Herbicide - EPA is seeking comments on a petition Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), requesting that EPA revoke all tolerances and cancel all registrations for 2,4-D.
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Happy New Year,

If any of you have comments, please send them to EPA and please cc me. Those in the Pacific Northwest should coordinate any responses with Jane Thomas.

Regards,

Rick

From: Coble, Harold [<mailto:Harold.Coble@ars.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 30, 2008 7:21 AM
To: John Ayers; Sue Ratcliffe; Rick Melnicoe; Jim VanKirk
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You may want to send this out to those interested in weed management.

Happy New Year!

Harold

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Best regards,

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Organization: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Summary: The petitioner, NRDC, claims that EPA cannot make a finding that there is a reasonable certainty of no harm from dietary residues of 2,4-D and, therefore, that the Agency must revoke all tolerances established under section 408 of FFDC, as amended by FQPA.

As a part of the petition, NRDC claims that the Agency did not consider the full spectrum of potential human health effects associated with 2,4-D in connection with EPA's reassessment of the existing 2,4-D tolerances, and EPA's environmental risk assessment including:

1. Information on the endocrine disrupting effects of 2,4-D.
2. Information on the neurotoxicity related to 2,4-D exposure.
3. Information that products containing 2,4-D are mutagenic.
4. Data showing that dermal absorption of 2,4-D is enhanced by alcohol consumption, sunscreen, and DEET which the EPA's exposure assessment failed to include.
5. Information about adverse developmental effects at doses below those included in EPA's risk assessment for exposure of infants to 2,4-D in breast milk.

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Comments Due By: February 23, 2009

Web site: The Federal Register notice is at <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/E8-30527.htm>

The NRDC petition is in Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0877, available at <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0877>

Risk assessment and related documents for this pesticide can be found under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0167, available at <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=EPA-HQ-OPP-2004-0167>

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