



Closing Remarks on Workshop for Proposed Rule on Conventional Pesticides (40 CFR Part 158)

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**May 3-4, 2005
Holiday Inn Rosslyn
1900 N. Fort Myer Drive
Arlington, VA 22209**

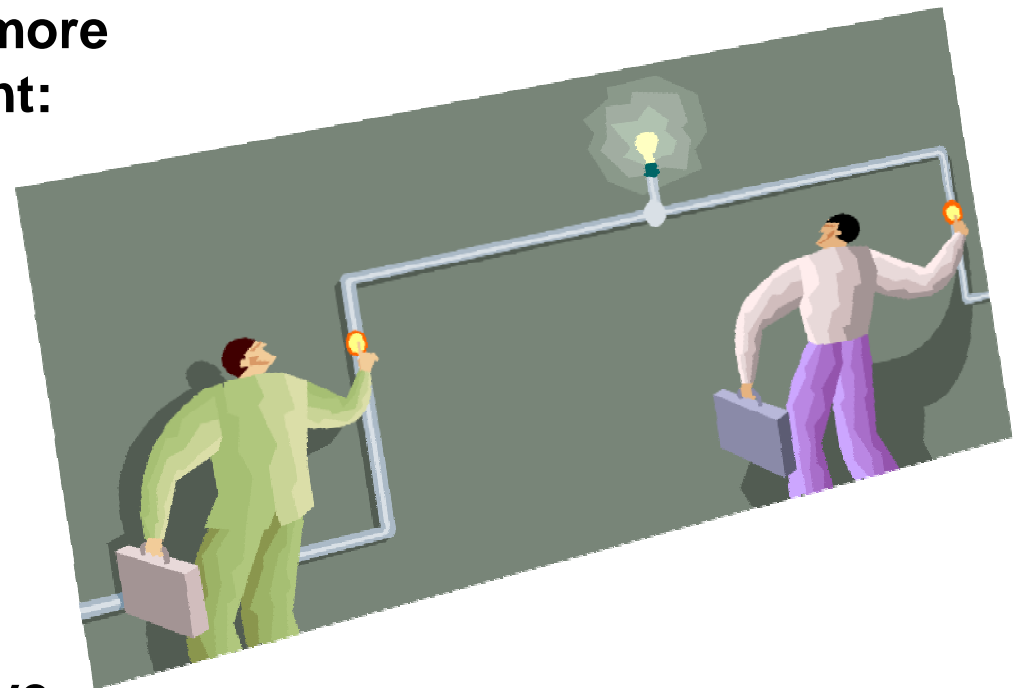


Review of Workshop Purpose

➤ To promote understanding of the proposed rule on data requirements, allowing more informed public comment:

- Explain provisions
- Answer clarifying questions

➤ We hope these goals have been achieved!





Review of Need & Value of Revisions



- **Sound science:** Captures the evolution of science
- **Statutory Mandates:** Captures 1988 FIFRA & 1996 FIFRA & FFDCAs amendments (FQPA)
- **Clarity:** Improved formatting
- **Transparency:** Better business planning
- **Necessity:** Data actually needed & used
- **Equity:** Uniformity & fairness of data requirements
- **Increases public health and environmental protection**



Recap of Key Features of Workshop

- **Data for human health and ecological risk assessment and risk management purposes**
- **Changes to General Provisions applies to ALL pesticides**
- **Changes to specific data requirements applies to conventional pesticides**
 - **Toxicology**
 - **Human Exposure**
 - **Non-target organisms**
 - **Environmental Fate**
- **Many changes codify existing practices or revise existing data requirements**
- **New science directions portend potential data requirement revisions in the future**
- **Process/steps for completing this rulemaking action**



Submitting Comments

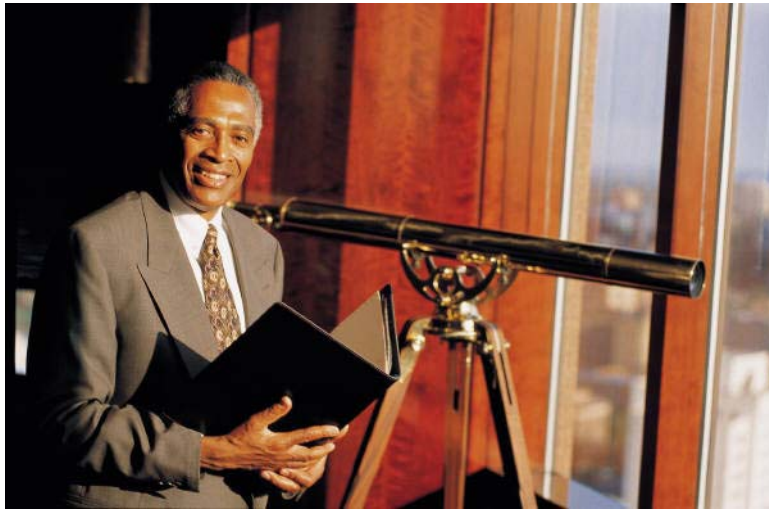
- **Rulemaking Mission:**
Protect public health & the environment by issuing high quality & effective pesticide regulations which promote safe use

- **We invite all interested parties to submit written comments to Docket No. OPP-2004-0387 by June 9**
 - See instructions in 70 FR 12276, March 11, 2005
 - See “Section XXIV. Public Comments Sought” for topics of particular interest





Next Steps



Other near-term, relevant opportunities for learning:

+ *SAP meeting*

+ *Industry-sponsored workshop (CPDA)*

- **Docket these presentations**
- **Final Rule due late 2006**
- **Other data requirement rulemakings proceeding**
 - **Biochemicals and Microbials**
 - **Antimicrobials**
 - **Plant-incorporated Protectants (PIPs)**
- **Stay tuned for new directions**
 - **ILSI/HESI publications and Nov 05 meetings**
 - **EPA's progress on Comp Tox and other initiatives**
 - **NAS recommendations published**



For More Information

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- Electronic copy of proposed rule:
<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2005/March/Day-11/p4466.pdf>

- OPP Docket No. OPP-2004-0387

- Electronic comment options
 - www.regulations.gov; OR
 - www.epa.gov/edocket; OR
 - Email: opp-docket@epa.gov





Thanks for Participating

- **OPP thanks the attendees for participating in the workshop**
- **Let us know your thoughts about the workshop**

