



**US Environmental Protection Agency  
Office of Pesticide Programs**

**Pesticide Registration (PR) Notice 2013-2  
Peroxy Compounds Task Force**

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## PESTICIDE REGISTRATION (PR) NOTICE 2013-2

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### NOTICE TO MANUFACTURERS, PRODUCERS, FORMULATORS, AND REGISTRANTS OF PESTICIDE PRODUCTS

**Attention:** Persons Responsible for Federal Registrations and Re-evaluations of Pesticide Products

**Subject:** Peroxy Compounds Task Force

#### **I. Introduction**

This PR Notice announces the establishment of the Peroxy Compounds Task Force (PCTF), as an unincorporated nonprofit association as authorized under the District of Columbia Uniform Nonprofit Association Act of 2010.<sup>1</sup> The PCTF is unincorporated association open to all registrants and applicants with products containing peroxy compounds created to jointly develop data to support registration review under section 3(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA).<sup>2</sup> This PR Notice discusses why the association was formed, why it intends to develop registration review data, and how interested and eligible registrants and applicants may participate in such data development. This PR Notice also identifies people to contact for additional information.

The EPA is using this PR Notice solely to inform pesticide registrants and applicants of the establishment of the PCTF. The Agency does not intend this PR Notice to affect the terms of PCTF's Task Force Agreement or any amendments (the Agreement) thereto.

#### **II. The Use of PCTF Data under the Federal Regulatory Scheme**

On September 23, 2009, EPA announced the opening of the registration review docket for the active ingredients hydrogen peroxide, peroxyacetic acid and potassium peroxymonosulfate (Peroxy Compounds), as part of the registration review process that pesticide registrations must undergo every 15 years under FIFRA §3(g).<sup>3</sup> The agency published a Summary Document on September 23, 2009 containing a Preliminary Work Plan (PWP) for Peroxy Compounds as part of registration review. In March 2010, the Agency issued a Final Work Plan (FWP) that described potential risks to human health and environment from Peroxy Compounds and identified associated expected data needs.

On December 21, 2011, US EPA issued a Data Call-In (DCI) Notice for all Peroxy Compounds under FIFRA § 3(c)(2)(B)<sup>4</sup> ("the DCI"). Subsequently, on February 22, 2012, the DCI was withdrawn by the Agency and then the Agency reissued the DCI on February 22, 2012. The DCI imposes new data requirements for Peroxy Compounds, including human toxicity, ecotoxicity, environmental fate, and occupational exposure studies. All registrants who do not purchase an

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<sup>1</sup> D.C. Code § 29-101 to 29-127.

<sup>2</sup> 7 U.S.C. 136a(g).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*

<sup>4</sup> 7 U.S.C. § 136a(c)(2)(B).

EPA-registered source of peroxy compounds for incorporation into their pesticide products are responsible for satisfying the data requirements identified in the DCI. If a registrant does not satisfactorily address a DCI's data requirements, the Agency may suspend the registrant's affected registration(s).

### **III. Objectives and Scope of PCTF**

In November 2009, current and prospective EPA registrants and distributors of products containing hydrogen peroxide and peroxyacetic acid formed the Peroxy Compounds Task Force (PCTF) to jointly address the issues raised in the Preliminary Work Plan for Peroxy Compounds and otherwise communicate and negotiate with EPA regarding registration review. Since then, the PCTF has met with EPA on a number of occasions.

The PCTF informed EPA that it intends to address the Peroxy Compounds DCI's requirements on behalf of its members. Any pesticide registrants/applicants who believe they may need to satisfy these data requirements may consider participation in the PCTF. The PCTF will be identified as the data submitter for all data and waivers submitted by the PCTF. Accordingly, applicants should contact the PCTF for data compensation purposes for any data submitted by the PCTF and accepted by EPA in support of Peroxy Compounds registrations.

### **IV. EPA's Regulatory Position**

The EPA has determined that development and submission of the required data are necessary to support applications for registration and existing registrations as reflected in various data requirements for hydrogen peroxide and peroxyacetic acid.

### **V. Current Members of the Peroxy Compounds Task Force**

A Growing Alternative, Inc.	Innovasource LLC
Arkema Inc.	Kimberly-Clark
Betco Corp, LTD	Mason Chemical Company
Binary Ionization, Inc.	Medivators, Inc.
Biosafe Systems, LLC	Reckitt Benckiser LLC
Diversey, Inc.	Solvay Chemicals, Inc.
Earth Laboratories	Sterilex Corporation
Ecolab Inc.	STERIS Corporation
EkO Peroxides, LLC	The Procter & Gamble Company
EnviroTech Chemical Services, Inc.	Veltek Associates, Inc.
EnvirOx LLC	Virox Technologies, Inc.
Evonik Corp.	Zep, Inc.
FMC Corporation	

### **VI. Joining the Peroxy Compounds Task Force**

The agency has set forth specific data requirements in the DCI; registrants may generate their own data, pay for certification with respect to citation of data, or join a Task Force. Any pesticide registrant or applicant who does not wish to pay for data compensation or generate their own data to satisfy registration review data requirements for Peroxy Compounds under FIFRA §

3(g) may consider joining the PCTF. The EPA is not a member of, or participant in the PCTF, but the Agency has provided PCTF and the Peroxy Compounds registrants with specific criteria which must be satisfied in support of the DCI. The Agency may provide appropriate guidance and assistance to the PCTF and Peroxy Compound registrants with respect to the development and submission of any new registration review data on Peroxy Compounds.


The PCTF is organized pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, and under the Agreement, each member company has the right to appoint a maximum of two representatives, one for administrative and regulatory matters and one for scientific matters. Prospective PCTF members who want additional information should contact the following person:

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