

Environmental Protection Agency

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not constitute a change in the type of registration action requested.

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§ 152.408 Special considerations.

(a) If two or more applicants apply for a new chemical registration for products having the same active ingredient and each applicant provides a set of data in support of the registration developed independently of the other applicants' data, then each applicant submitting an independent set of data shall be charged the full new chemical registration review fee.

(b) If two or more applicants apply for a new chemical registration for products having the same active ingredient and the applicants have jointly developed or paid for the joint development of a common set of data to support their applications for registration, then each applicant shall be charged an equal share of the total fee for review of the applications for all of the subject products. The total fee will include the sum of the new chemical registration review fee for one product and one old chemical registration review fee for each additional product.

(c) If an application is received for registration of a product that contains two or more new chemical active ingredients and a different set of generic data is required by the Agency for each new chemical for the purpose of registration, the applicant will be required to pay the full new chemical registration review fee for each active ingredient.

§ 152.410 Adjustment of fees.

(a) The fee schedule will be adjusted annually by the same percentage as the percent change in the Federal General Schedule (GS) pay scale. Such adjustments will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER as a final rule and will be effective 30 days or more after promulgation.

(b) Processing costs and fees will be reviewed periodically and changes will be made to the schedule as necessary. Such adjustments will be published for notice and comment in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

§ 152.412 Waivers and refunds.

(a) *Refunds.* If an application is not accepted for processing because it is incomplete, the fee, less \$1,200 for handling and initial review (or the amount of the fee, whichever is less), shall be returned. If an application is withdrawn by the applicant before significant Agency scientific review has begun, the fee, less \$1,200, shall be returned. If an unacceptable or withdrawn petition is resubmitted, it shall be accompanied by the fee that would be required if it were submitted for the first time.

(b) *Waiver of fees for activities initiated by the Agency.* The Agency may waive fees for amended registrations where the amendment has been initiated solely by the Agency. The Agency retains sole discretion in determining when this fee will be waived. The announcement of the fee waiver will accompany the EPA request for an amendment. The Agency will not approve any individual requests for waivers of EPA-initiated activity fees.

(c) *Waiver of fees for activities initiated by applicants.* Upon request by an applicant, together with the supporting documentation or justification described in this paragraph, the Agency may waive or refund fees in whole or in part. A request for waiver must be submitted in accordance with § 152.414(a). An application for which a waiver of fees has been requested will not be accepted for review until the waiver has been granted, or until the waiver has been denied and thereafter the proper fee has been submitted.

(1) *Minor use.* Fees may be waived for applications limited to minor uses that lack commercial feasibility for the pesticide applicant. An applicant requesting a waiver on this basis must provide supporting information that demonstrates that anticipated revenues from the uses that are the subject of the application would be insufficient to pay back the cost of the fee. The burden of proof of the reasonableness of this estimate rests with the applicant.

(2) *IR-4.* Fees will be waived for registration actions that are determined to be specifically associated with tolerance petitions submitted by the Inter-Regional Research Project Number 4 (IR-4 program) when such waiver is