or are not set forth so as to be readily understood. The availability to the public of information provided to, or otherwise obtained by, the Agency under this part shall be governed by part 2 of this chapter.

(d) The Registration Division shall notify the petitioner within 15 days after its receipt of acceptance or nonacceptance of a petition, and if not accepted the reasons therefor. Copy of the notice shall be sent to the Registration Division, Environmental Protection Agency. If accepted, the date of notification becomes the date of filing for the purposes of section 408(d)(1). If petitioner desires, he may supplement a deficient petition after notification as to deficiencies. If the supplementary material or explanation of petition is deemed acceptable, petitioner shall be notified, and date of such notification becomes the date of filing. If the petitioner does not wish to supplement or explain the petition and requests in writing that it be filed as submitted, the petition shall be filed and the petitioner so notified. The date of such notification becomes the date of filing. The Administrator shall publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER within 30 days a notice of filing, name of petitioner, and a brief outline of the petition, including description of analytical method or reference to a publication in which it appears, if such publication is generally available.

(e) The Registration Division may request a sample of the pesticide chemical at any time while a petition is under consideration. The Registration Division shall specify in its request for a sample of the pesticide chemical, a quantity which it deems adequate to permit tests of analytical methods used to determine residues of the pesticide chemical and of methods proposed by the petitioner for removing any residues of the chemical that exceed the tolerance proposed. The date used for computing the 90-day limit for the purposes of section 408(d)(2) shall be moved forward 1 day for each day in excess of 15 from the mailing date of the request taken by the petitioner to submit the sample. If the sample is not submitted within 180 days after mailing date of the request, the petition

will be considered withdrawn without prejudice.

(f) The date of receipt from the Administration of certification as to usefulness shall be the date used for computing the 90-day limit for the purposes of section 408(d)(2).

(g) If the petition is not referred to an advisory committee, or upon receipt of the report of an advisory committee under §180.12(c) if such a referral occurred, the Administrator shall determine, in accordance with the Act, whether to issue an order that establishes, modifies, or revokes a tolerance regulation (whether or not in accord with the action proposed by the petitioner), or whether to publish a proposed tolerance regulation and request public comment thereon under §180.29. The Administrator shall publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER such order or proposed regulation. After receiving comments on any proposed regulation, the Administrator may issue an order that establishes modifies, or revokes a tolerance regulation. An order published under this section shall describe briefly how to submit objections and requests for a hearing under part 178 of this chapter. A regulation issued under this section shall be effective on the date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER unless otherwise provided in the regulation.

[36 FR 22540, Nov. 25, 1971, as amended at 41 FR 36918, Sept. 1, 1976; 46 FR 34345, July 1, 1981; 55 FR 21200, May 23, 1990; 55 FR 50299, Dec. 5, 1990]

#### §180.8 Withdrawal of petitions without prejudice.

In some cases the Registration Division or an advisory committee to which the petition has been referred will notify the petitioner that the petition, while technically complete, is inadequate to justify the establishment of a tolerance or the tolerance requested by petitioner. This may be due to the fact that the data are not sufficiently clear or complete. In such cases, the petitioner may withdraw the petition pending its clarification or the obtaining of additional data. This withdrawal may be without prejudice to a future filing. Upon refiling, the time limitation will begin to run anew from

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the date of refiling or the date of receipt of certification from the Administrator, whichever is later. A deposit for fees as specified in §180.33 shall accompany the resubmission of the petition.

[46 FR 22450, Nov. 25, 1971, as amended at 46 FR 34345, July 1, 1981; 55 FR 21200, May 23, 1990]

### §180.9 Substantive amendments to petitions

After a petition has been filed or referred to an advisory committee, the petitioner may submit additional information or data in support thereof, but in such cases the petition will be given a new filing date or a new initial date of consideration by the advisory committee, and the time limitation will begin to run anew.

[41 FR 4537, Jan. 30, 1976, as amended at 55 FR 21200, May 23, 1990]

### ADVISORY COMMITTEES

# § 180.10 Referral of petition to advisory committee.

(a) If within the prescribed period a person filing a petition requests that the petition be referred to an advisory committee, he shall make such request in writing to the Administrator and forward with such request an advance deposit for fees prescribed by §180.33.

(b) If further advance deposits are not made upon request of the Administrator, as provided for in §180.33, the request for referral of the petition to an advisory committee shall be considered withdrawn, and a tolerance shall be established within 90 days of the date on which the Administrator requested the further advance deposit.

(c) In case the Administrator on his own initiative deems it necessary to refer a petition to an advisory committee, he shall, in writing, so inform the person filing the petition.

[41 FR 4537, Jan. 30, 1976, as amended at 55 FR 21200, May 23, 1990]

# § 180.11 Appointment of advisory committee.

(a) Whenever the referral of a petition or proposal to an advisory committee is requested or the Administrator otherwise deems such referral necessary, the Administrator will re-

quest the National Academy Sciences, National Research Council, to select qualified experts, including at least one representative from landgrant colleges, willing to serve on the advisory committee. All such experts shall have had sufficient training and experience in biology, medicine, physiology, toxicology, pharmacology, veterinary medicine, or other appropriate science to evaluate the safety of pesticide chemicals. The Administrator will requet the National Academy of Sciences, when it furnishes the names of such experts, to supply a biographical sketch showing the background of their experience and their connection, if any, with academic and commercial institutions.

(b) Each advisory committee shall consist of not less than three experts, at least one of whom is a representative from a land-grant college. The Administrator may specify a larger number to serve. He shall appoint one member of the committee as chairman, and the chairman shall be the spokesman of the committee for receiving and forwarding reports and other functions of the committee.

(c) The Administrator shall appoint the experts so selected and fix their compensation at not to exceed the maximum permitted by other authority per day for each day or part thereof spent in committee meetings and in traveling to and from committee meetings held outside the city of their residence, plus necessary traveling and subsistence expenses while the experts are serving away from their places of residence. Subsistence expenses shall not exceed the maximum per diem permitted by other authority.

# § 180.12 Procedure for advisory committee.

(a) The Administrator shall submit to the chairman of the committee the petition for tolerances, together with certification by the Administrator and such other relevant, reliable information as may be available. When the Administrator submits a proposal to an advisory committee, he shall inform the petitioner and furnish him with copies of material other than the petition and certification that is furnished the committee. The chairman of the