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1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP-2003-0042. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

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II. EUP

EPA has issued the following EUP: 73049-EUP-2. Issuance. Valent BioSciences Corporation, 870 Technology Way, Libertyville, IL 60048. This EUP allows the use of 3,924 pounds of the biochemical plant regulator 6-benzyladenine on 9,680 acres of apple and on 300 acres of pistachio to evaluate its efficacy for fruit thinning and sizing for apple and its mitigation of alternate-year bearing for pistachio. The program is authorized only in the States of California, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The EUP

is effective from January 22, 2003 to January 31, 2005. A temporary tolerance exemption to expire on January 31, 2005 has been established for residues of the active ingredient in or on apple and pistachio.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136c.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Experimental use permits.

Dated: February 13, 2003.

Janet L. Andersen,

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPT-2002-0066; FRL-7293-5]

Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program, Proposed Chemical Selection Approach for Initial Round of Screening; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In a **Federal Register** Notice that published on December 30, 2002, EPA sets forth for public comment the approach EPA plans to use for selecting the first group of chemicals to be screened in the Agency's Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). EPA requested that comments be submitted on or before March 1, 2003. In response to several requests to extend the deadline for submitting comments, EPA is hereby extending the comment period to April 1, 2003.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket ID number OPPT-2002-0066, must be received on or before April 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the December 30, 2002 **Federal Register** document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone

number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Greg Schweer, Exposure Assessment Coordination and Policy Division (7203M), Office of Science Coordination and Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8469; e-mail address: schweer.greg@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of particular interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

To submit comments or access the official public docket, please follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the December 30, 2002 **Federal Register** document. If you have questions, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Action is EPA taking?

This document extends the public comment period established in the **Federal Register** issued on December 30, 2002 (67 FR 79611). In that document, EPA sought public comment on the approach EPA plans to use for selecting the first group of chemicals to be screened in the Agency’s Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). EPA is hereby extending the comment period, which was set to end on March 1, 2003, to April 1, 2003.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Endocrine disruptors, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: February 10, 2003.

Susan B. Hazen,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–7455–5]

Public Notice of Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Federal Facility Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) in Colorado

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed NPDES general permit.

SUMMARY: Region VIII of EPA is hereby giving notice of its tentative determination to issue an NPDES general permit for regulated storm water discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s). The general permit is applicable to Federal Facilities within the State of Colorado. Only Federal Facilities located in urbanized areas (as defined by the 2000 U.S. Census) within the State of Colorado must apply. Federal facilities that are currently known to be located within Colorado urbanized areas, and will need to apply for coverage under the general permit include: Fort Carson; the General Services Administration’s Denver Federal Center; Peterson Air Force Base; the U.S. Air Force Academy; the U.S. Department of Commerce—National Institute of Standards and Technology, Boulder Campus; the U.S. Bureau of Prisons Federal Correctional Institution, Englewood; and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center Denver. Additional Federal Facilities may need to apply for permit coverage at a later date based on subsequent Census data. This notice announces the availability of the proposed general permit and fact sheet for public comment.

NPDES permit coverage is required for small MS4s in accordance with final EPA regulations for Phase II storm water discharges (64 FR 68722, December 8, 1999). Operators of Phase II-designated small MS4s (regulated small MS4s) are required to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to EPA Region VIII to be covered under the general permit.

In accordance with the general permit, regulated small MS4 operators must develop, implement, and enforce a program designed to reduce the discharge of pollutants from their MS4s to the maximum extent practicable (MEP) to protect water quality and to satisfy the appropriate water quality requirements of the Clean Water Act. The small MS4 program must include the following six minimum control

measures: public education and outreach; public involvement and participation; illicit discharge detection and elimination; construction site runoff control; post-construction runoff control; and pollution prevention/ good housekeeping. The rule assumes the use of narrative, rather than numeric, effluent limitations achieved through the implementation of best management practices (BMPs). Operators must establish BMPs and measurable goals for each minimum measure in the permit application. However, applicants will have up to five years to fully develop and implement their storm water management program.

State	Permit No.	Areas covered by the general permit
Colorado	COR042000 ..	Federal Facilities in the State of Colorado, except those located in Indian Country.

DATES: Public comments on this proposal must be received or postmarked no later than March 28, 2003. A public hearing may be requested within the comment period concerning the proposed permit.

ADDRESSES: Public comments or requests for a public hearing should be sent to: Greg Davis (8EPR–EP); Attention: NPDES Permits; U.S. EPA, Region VIII; 999 18th Street, Suite 300; Denver, CO 80202–2466. Public comments will also be accepted via electronic mail (E-mail) at r8npdes@epa.gov.

Public Comment Period

Public comments are invited. Comments must be received or postmarked no later than March 28, 2003. Each comment should cite the page number and, where possible, the section(s) and/or paragraph(s) in the draft permit or Fact Sheet to which each comment refers. Commenters should use a separate paragraph for each issue discussed. Comments must be sent to the address given above in the **ADDRESSES** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the draft permit and Fact Sheet or for further information on the draft permit, contact either Greg Davis (303) 312–6082 (davis.gregory@epa.gov) or Vern Berry, (303) 312–6234 (berry.vern@epa.gov), or at the address above in the **ADDRESSES** section. Copies of the draft permit and Fact Sheet may be downloaded from the EPA Region VIII Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/>