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Dockets Management Branch  
Food and Drug Administration  
Department of Health and Human Services  
12420 Parklawn Drive  
Room 1-23  
Rockville, MD 20857

Re: Docket No. 03N-0233

Dear Sir:

On behalf of BASF AG and BASF Corporation, we request a 90-day extension to respond to the request for data concerning Octyl Triazone published at 68 Fed. Reg. 41386 (July 11, 2003). Although BASF AG already has submitted extensive safety data and efficacy data based on European and other non-US marketing of the product, the Company requires additional time to compile, including through its customers, additional and recent effectiveness data on the substance. By extending the comment period, the Agency will allow the petitioners the necessary time to develop a more comprehensive and complete docket for this substance.

Sincerely,



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c: Matthew Holman (by hand)

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