

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

## ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 8, 2023

Dear Paraquat Registrants,

EPA was notified by Earthjustice in a letter dated August 4, 2023 that Earthjustice believes certain paraquat registrants have not turned over information as required under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act ("FIFRA") § 6(a)(2). For more information, the <u>August letter from</u> <u>Earthjustice</u> is available in the paraquat docket (EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0855-0313).

We are writing to remind all paraquat registrants of their obligations under FIFRA § 6(a)(2), including EPA's regulations found at 40 CFR part 159, subpart D. As you are aware, FIFRA § 6(a)(2) requires pesticide registrants to report information concerning unreasonable adverse effects of their products to EPA. For more information on EPA's interpretation and enforcement policy regarding § 6(a)(2) of FIFRA, please see <u>Pesticide Registration Notice 98-3</u>.

If your company is in possession of information related to paraquat that is subject to § 6(a)(2), which has not yet been submitted to the Agency, we ask that the information be submitted to EPA within 60 days of the date of this letter. Otherwise, EPA asks that each paraquat registrant certify in writing that it has fully complied with its obligations under § 6(a)(2) within the same time frame.

Please reply via email addressed to Alex Hazlehurst (<u>hazlehurst.alexander@epa.gov</u>) and Marianne Walters (<u>walters.marianne@epa.gov</u>) by February 6, 2023 confirming your company's full compliance with its obligations under § 6(a)(2) or submit any outstanding information or data necessary to ensure your company's full compliance with § 6(a)(2).

Please feel free to contact Alex Hazlehurst of my staff if you have any questions. Alex may be reached by email at hazlehurst.alexander@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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