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**From:** Hott, John L [johnhott@eastman.com]  
**Sent:** 4/17/2018 4:33:45 PM  
**To:** Beck, Nancy [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=168ecb5184ac44de95a913297f353745-Beck, Nancy]  
**CC:** Keller, Kaitlin [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=d7a6b15adfd745c6ada1c121dec27ac4-Keller, Kai]  
**Subject:** Re: [I] RE: Requesting assistance with import tolerance - to meet PRIA due date

Thanks, Nancy.

Best regards,  
John

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**Ex. 6**

On Apr 17, 2018, at 12:19 PM, Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

John,  
I signed off on the FR notice yesterday so it should continue to move through the process. You will likely see it in the FR towards the end of next week or the week after, at the latest.

Regards,  
Nancy

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**From:** Hott, John L [<mailto:johnhott@eastman.com>]  
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**To:** Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Keller, Kaitlin <[keller.kaitlin@epa.gov](mailto:keller.kaitlin@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: [I] RE: Requesting assistance with import tolerance - to meet PRIA due date

Thanks, Nancy. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,  
John

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**From:** Beck, Nancy [mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov]  
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**To:** Hott, John L <johnhott@eastman.com>  
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Hi John,

I think someone is confused about the process. The Internal office review in OCSPP (which is where I am) typically takes a few days and there are always a few work days to get in the publication queue at the Federal Register.

We will track it down and let you know.

Regards,  
Nancy

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Hi, Nancy.

Taminco (an Eastman subsidiary) has an import tolerance pending at the EPA. The PRIA due date is May 10<sup>th</sup>.

The tolerance petition EPA identifier is 6E8495 and is referred to as the *Import Tolerance for Chlormequat Chloride on various commodities*. The proposed rule was published in the FR on 2/7/2018.

Our OPP Program Manager has stated that OPP has given the petition final signature and it is supposed to be coming to you (or already has) for signature, as part of the agency's external signature process.

We have been told that after you, it will then go to the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention and finally into to the Office of Policy.

Concern: We have been told that this process may take up to 8 weeks and we may miss our PRIA date (or have to have it extended).

Request: Might the agency complete the sign offs needed in 4 weeks (and meet the PRIA due date)?

Consequences of not meeting the PRIA due date may result in the following:

- Cause a negative business impact, resulting in a loss of approximately \$1.5 million in sales to a US company by eliminating the ability to use chlormequat chloride for the 2018 growing season.
- Restrict the free flow of wheat from Canada to the US, resulting in a trade irritant. Chlormequat chloride is a needed input (growth regulator) in Canada for wheat and can only be purchased from Taminco, a US owned company (and only after the tolerance is approved, in order to avoid segregation of commodities). Tolerances for this active have been approved for many years in the EU and Canada.

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