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Courtesy of Tom Kaczoroski of the NJDEP:

In correspondence dated February 6, 2002, EPA granted the NJDEP a Section 18 exemption for the use of **coumaphos in beehives** to control varroa mites and small hive beetles in New Jersey. This exemption expires February 1, 2003. Time-limited tolerances are in place to support this use, and are expected to be renewed for the period of the Section 18 Exemption.

Under FIFRA section 18, EPA can authorize the use of a pesticide when emergency conditions exist. Authorizations (commonly called emergency exemptions) are granted to State and Federal agencies. A detailed explanation of the crisis, reasons for exemption, and support of a time-limited tolerance for this specific use are given in the tolerance published in the Federal Register @ <http://www.epa.gov/EPA-PEST/2000/August/Day-16/p20732.htm>.

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