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Summary of EPA's [request for comment](#) and posting of a science policy paper on drinking water treatment effects and pesticides. Email me if you would like the original posting to the Federal Register.

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### IN THIS UPDATE:

#### EPA REQUESTS COMMENTS ON SCIENCE POLICY PAPER ON DRINKING WATER TREATMENT EFFECTS

EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs has released for public comment a science policy paper related to estimating exposure to pesticides in drinking water. The paper is "Water Treatment Effects on Pesticide Removal and Transformation." The paper describes how EPA will consider the effects of treatment of drinking water in conducting its exposure assessments under the Food Quality Protection Act. In addition, it presents a preliminary literature review on the effect of different treatment processes on pesticide removal and transformation in treated drinking water derived from ground and surface water sources. The policy is based on scientific conclusions reached as a result of OPP's literature review and on the assessment of the availability of information on specific pesticides.

The Federal Register notice announcing the comment period was published on November 21, 2001 (66 FR 58485). It includes specific questions on which EPA is seeking comment, as well as information on how to submit comments. EPA must receive comments by January 22, 2002, identified by docket

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number OPP-00731. These papers are available on EPA's web page at [www.epa.gov/pesticides/trac/science](http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/trac/science). The Federal Register notice also is available on EPA's web page at [www.epa.gov/fedrgstr](http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr).

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