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# EPA Announces Changes to Pesticide Data Submission Process to Increase Efficiency and Reduce Burden

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing improvements to simplify the process for companies submitting data to the agency as part of a pesticide registration package. This improvement will also make the agency's processing of this information more efficient. Streamlining this process, while partnering with industry to safeguard human health and the environment, reduces burden for both companies and EPA, supporting Administrator Zeldin's Pillar Three of Powering the Great American Comeback initiative to advance permitting reform, cooperative federalism, and cross-agency partnership.

Companies are required to submit a document called a "data matrix" form when their pesticide registration packages contain cited data from outside sources. Currently, companies must submit two versions of the data matrix form (in either paper or electronic format): one for internal agency use and one with reference data redacted for public use. However, in the interest of reducing burden, and since no information on the form is Confidential Business Information, the agency determined that there is no need for a redacted version and is now only asking for one unredacted version of the form to be used for both internal and public use. Additionally, EPA will no longer accept paper submissions of this form and will only accept this information via a web-based portal.

Further detailed instructions for how to complete and submit the revised forms will be available in the updated Pesticide Registration Manual.

Read EPA's Revised Procedures for Pesticide Registration Data <<https://epa.gov/pesticide-registration/prn-2025-1-revised-procedures-citing-data-support-pesticide-registrations>>

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