

principal and interest as directed by the Participant. No action by the Participant is required in connection with the payment of a Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Security, unless otherwise expressly required.

§ 912.6 Authority of Federal Reserve Banks.

(a) Each Federal Reserve Bank is hereby authorized as fiscal agent of the Federal Home Loan Banks to perform functions with respect to the issuance of Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities, in accordance with the terms of the applicable offering notice and with procedures established by the Federal Home Loan Banks; to service and maintain Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities in accounts established for such purposes; to make payments of principal, interest and redemption premium (if any), as directed by the Federal Home Loan Banks; to effect transfer of Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities between Participants' Securities Accounts as directed by the Participants; and to perform such other duties as fiscal agent as may be requested by the Federal Home Loan Banks.

(b) Each Federal Reserve Bank may issue Operating Circulars not inconsistent with this part 912, governing the details of its handling of Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities, Security Entitlements, and the operation of the book-entry system under this part 912.

§ 912.7 Liability of Federal Home Loan Banks and Federal Reserve Banks.

The Federal Home Loan Banks and the Federal Reserve Banks may rely on the information provided in a tender, transaction request form, other transaction documentation, or Transfer Message, and are not required to verify the information. The Federal Home Loan Banks and the Federal Reserve Banks shall not be liable for any action taken in accordance with the information set out in a tender, transaction request form, other transaction documentation, or Transfer Message, or evidence submitted in support thereof.

§ 912.8 Notice of attachment for Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities.

The interest of a debtor in a Security Entitlement may be reached by a creditor only by legal process upon the Securities Intermediary with whom the debtor's securities account is maintained, except where a Security Entitlement is maintained in the name of a secured party, in which case the debtor's interest may be reached by legal

process upon the secured party. These regulations do not purport to establish whether a Federal Reserve Bank is required to honor an order or other notice of attachment in any particular case or class of cases.

§ 912.9 Reference to certain Department of Treasury commentary and determinations.

(a) The Department of Treasury TRADES Commentary (Appendix B to 31 CFR part 357) addressing the Department of Treasury regulations governing book-entry procedure for Treasury Securities is hereby referenced, so far as applicable and as necessarily modified to relate to Book-entry Federal Home Loan Bank Securities, as an interpretive aid to this part 912.

(b) Determinations of the Department of Treasury regarding whether a State shall be considered to have adopted Revised Article 8 for purposes of 31 CFR part 357, as published in the Federal Register or otherwise, shall also apply to this part 912.

§ 912.10 Obligations of United States with respect to Federal Home Loan Bank Securities.

Federal Home Loan Bank Securities are not obligations of the United States and are not guaranteed by the United States.

By the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Dated: November 7, 1996.

Bruce A. Morrison,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 73

[Docket No. 93G-0017]

Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Ferrous Lactate; Confirmation of Effective Date

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is confirming the effective date of September 4, 1996, for the final rule that appeared in the Federal Register of August 2, 1996 (61 FR 40317), and amended the color additive regulations to provide for the

safe use of ferrous lactate for the coloring of ripe olives.

DATES: Effective date confirmed: September 4, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert L. Martin, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-217), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204-0001, 202-418-3074.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Federal Register of August 2, 1996 (61 FR 40317), FDA amended 21 CFR part 73 to add a new § 73.165 to provide for the use of ferrous lactate for the coloring of ripe olives.

FDA gave interested persons until September 3, 1996, to file objections or requests for a hearing. The agency received no objections or requests for a hearing on the final rule. Therefore, FDA finds that the effective date of the final rule that published in the Federal Register of August 2, 1996, should be confirmed.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 73

Color additives, Cosmetics, Drugs, Medical devices.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (secs. 201, 401, 402, 403, 409, 501, 502, 505, 601, 602, 701, 721 (21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 342, 343, 348, 351, 352, 355, 361, 362, 371, 379e)) and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs and redelegated to the Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, notice is given that no objections or requests for a hearing were filed in response to the August 2, 1996, final rule. Accordingly, the amendments promulgated thereby became effective September 4, 1996.

Dated: November 21, 1996.

Fred R. Shank,

Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

37 CFR Part 1

[Docket No. 961030301-6301-01]

RIN 0651-AA55

Changes in Signature and Filing Requirements for Correspondence Filed in the Patent and Trademark Office

AGENCY: Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: This document contains a further correction to the final regulations which were published Friday, October 22, 1993 (58 FR 54494). The regulations related to the changes in signature and filing requirements for correspondence filed in the Patent and Trademark Office. The correction re-inserts part of a rule (37 CFR 1.741) that was inadvertently deleted when the rule was amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 3, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karin Tyson by telephone at (703) 305-9285; by mail marked to her attention and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box COMMENTS—PATENTS, Washington, D.C. 20231; or by fax marked to her attention at (703) 308-6916.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The final regulation that is the subject of this correction was revised to change "Certificate of Mailing" to "Certificate of Mailing or Transmission" in 37 CFR 1.741(a) as published at 58 FR 54494 (October 22, 1993), corrected at 58 FR 64154 (December 6, 1993), and in the Official Gazette of the Patent and Trademark Office at 1156 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 61 (November 16, 1993), corrected at 1157 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 87 (December 28, 1993).

Need for Correction

As published, the final regulation inadvertently deleted the last sentence of the first paragraph of paragraph (a) of Rule 741 and paragraphs (a)(1)–(a)(6).

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

OMB has approved the collection of the information required by this rule under OMB # 0651-0020.

List of Subjects in 37 CFR Part 1

Administrative practice and procedure, Freedom of Information, Inventions and patents, Reporting and record keeping requirements.

PART 1—RULES OF PRACTICE IN PATENT CASES

Accordingly, 37 CFR part 1 is corrected by making the following correcting amendment:

1. The authority citation for 37 CFR part 1 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 6, unless otherwise noted.

2. In § 1.741, paragraph (a) is revised to read as follows:

§ 1.741 Filing date of application.

(a) The filing date of an application for extension of a patent term is the date on which a complete application is received in the Patent and Trademark Office or filed pursuant to the "Certificate of Mailing or Transmission" procedures of 37 CFR 1.8 or "Express Mail" provisions of 37 CFR 1.10. A complete application shall include:

(1) An identification of the approved product;

(2) An identification of each Federal statute under which regulatory review occurred;

(3) An identification of the patent for which an extension is being sought;

(4) An identification of each claim of the patent which claims the approved product or a method of using or manufacturing the approved product;

(5) Sufficient information to enable the Commissioner to determine under 35 U.S.C. 156 subsections (a) and (b) the eligibility of a patent for extension and the rights that will be derived from the extension and information to enable the Commissioner and the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Secretary of Agriculture to determine the length of the regulatory review period; and

(6) A brief description of the activities undertaken by the marketing applicant during the applicable regulatory review period with respect to the approved product and the significant dates applicable to such activities.

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Dated: November 26, 1996.

Bruce A. Lehman,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[MD033-7157; FRL-5650-8]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland 1990 Base Year Emission Inventory; Correction

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule; correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: This action corrects the citation of a direct final rule, which was published on Friday, September 27, 1996 (61 FR 50715). This action pertains to the Maryland 1990 base year emission inventory for ozone.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 3, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rose Quinto, (215) 566-2182.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 31, 1995 (60 FR 55321) EPA published a direct final rule approving a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by Maryland pertaining to the 1990 base year emission inventory for carbon monoxide for the Baltimore Metropolitan Statistical Area (40 CFR 52.1075(a)).

On January 30, 1996 (61 FR 2931) EPA published a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by Maryland pertaining to the 1990 base year emission inventory for carbon monoxide for the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area (§ 52.1075(b)).

On September 27, 1996 (61 FR 50715) EPA published a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by Maryland pertaining to the Maryland 1990 base year emission inventory for ozone.

Need for Correction

As published, the direct final rule contains errors which may prove to be misleading and are in need of clarification.

Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the publication on September 27, 1996 (61 FR 50717, FR Doc. 96-24524), Part 52, § 52.1075 is being amended by revising the section heading to "1990 Base Year Emission Inventory" and adding a third paragraph (c).

Administrative Requirements

Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), this action is not a "significant regulatory action" and, is therefore not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget. In addition, this action does not impose any enforceable duty or contain any unfunded mandate as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4), or require prior consultation with State officials as specified by Executive Order 12875 (58 FR 58093, October 28, 1993), or involve special consideration of environmental justice related issues as required by