SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Electronic Availability: Electronic copies of this document and the Implementation Plan are available from the EPA home page at the Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under ''Regulations'' (http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/). The Implementation Plan is also posted at the FQPA section of EPA's Website: http://www.epa.gov/opppsps1/FQPA.

FQPA represents the most significant piece of pesticide and food safety legislation enacted in 30 years. It provides unprecedented opportunities to safeguard the health of all Americans, particularly infants and children, from risks posed by pesticides. The President called it ''the peace of mind act'' because it will ''give parents the peace of mind that comes from knowing that the fruits, vegetables, and grains that they set down in front of their children are safe.'' FQPA signals a new era in food safety regulation in the United States. Major provisions, once fully implemented, will strengthen health and environmental protection in a number of ways. FQPA will:

- Establish a single, health-based standard for all pesticide residues in food, eliminating past inconsistencies in the law which treated residues in some processed foods differently from other raw and processed foods.
- Provide for a more complete assessment of potential risks, with special protections for potentially sensitive groups, such as infants and children.
- Require a reassessment of all existing residue limits in accordance with the new standard.
- Expand consumers' ''right to know'' about pesticide risks and benefits by requiring a new brochure for display in supermarkets and grocery stores.
- Ensure that all pesticides are periodically re-evaluated for adherence to current safety standards and are supported by up-to-date scientific data.
- Expedite the approval of safer, reduced risk pesticides.
- Encourage the development of safer, effective crop protection tools for American farmers.
- Promote national uniformity in pesticide residue limits, while respecting states' rights to require labeling or other warnings.
- Establish a more consistent, protective regulatory process, grounded in sound science and adaptable to future advances in scientific understanding.

No specific transition period is provided by the new FQPA, but the law contains sufficient flexibility to allow for a phase-in period as EPA deals with the complexities of the new provisions. An important element of EPA's plan for implementation is the development of interim strategies to allow EPA to make timely decisions which are protective and economical but which can be revisited as implementation progresses. EPA intends to continually review all activities undertaken to implement the FQPA amendments, to assess their effectiveness and to make modifications as necessary. EPA will update implementation communication materials on a regular basis.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides, and pests.

Dated: March 12, 1997.

Lynn R. Goldman,

Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Farm Credit Administration Board; Special Meeting

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), of the forthcoming special meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board).

DATE AND TIME: The special meeting of the Board will be held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on March 20, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Floyd Fithian, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883–4025, TDD (703) 883–4444.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102–5090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available). In order to increase the accessibility to Board meetings, persons requiring assistance should make arrangements in advance. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

Open Session

A. *Approval of Minutes*
B. *Report*
Farm Credit System Building Association Quarterly Report
C. *New Business*
Regulation
1. Disclosure to Shareholders [12 CFR Part 620](Final)
2. Cumulative Voting for Bank Directors [12 CFR Part 615] (Proposed)

Dated: March 14, 1997.

Floyd Fithian,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2178–Corrected]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceedings

March 6, 1997.

Petitions for reconsideration and clarification have been filed in the Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of these documents are available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc. (202) 857–3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed April 2, 1997. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rules (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions has expired.

Subject: Guidelines for Evaluating the Environmental Effects of Radiofrequency Radiation. (ET Docket No. 93–62).

Number of petitions filed: 4.

Subject: Replacement of Part 90 by Part 88 to Revise the Private Land Mobile Radio Services and Modify the Policies Governing Them; Examination of Exclusivity and Frequency Assignment Policies of the Private Land Mobile Radio Services (PR Docket No. 92–235).

Number of petitions filed: 2.

Subject: Amendment of the Commission's Rules Regarding the 37.0–38.6 GHz and 38.6–40.0 GHz Bands ET Docket No. 95–183, RM–8533); Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding 37.0–38.6 GHz and 38l60–40.0 GHz Bands (PP Docket No. 93–253).

Number of petitions filed: 1.

Subject: Geographic partitioning and Spectrum Disaggregation by Commercial Mobile Radio Services Licensees (WT Docket No. 96–148); Implementation of Section 257 of the Communications

Act—Elimination of Market Entry Barriers (GN Docket No. 96–113).

Number of petitions filed: 2.

Subject: Implementation of the Non-Accounting Safeguards of Sections 271 and 272 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (CC Docket No. 96–149).

Number of petitions filed: 8.

Subject: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Accounting Safeguards Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. (CC Docket No. 96–150).

Number of petitions filed: 8.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 12:00 noon, Monday, March 24, 1997.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 2lst Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mr. Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; (202) 452–3204. You may call (202) 452–3207, beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before this meeting, for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting.

Dated: March 14, 1997.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

[FR Doc. 97–6957 Filed 3–14–97; 2:44 pm]

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact; Report for Proposed San Francisco Federal Building, San Francisco, CA

AGENCY: Public Buildings Service, United States General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States General Services Administration (GSA) hereby gives notice that a joint Final Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) has been prepared and filed with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the proposed construction of a new Federal Building within the City of San Francisco, California, in accordance with the Council of Environmental Quality regulations and the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The proposed project involves the construction of a new Federal Building with 161 approximately 475,000 occupiable square feet of space (675,000 gross square feet) and onsite parking spaces. The purpose of this project is (1) to consolidate federal agencies housed in multiple locations in order to increase efficiency and to reduce the amount of government leased space and (2) to house law enforcement agencies that are not suitable as lease tenants. The preferred alternative for this project is the site located at 7th and Mission Streets.

DATES: Submit written comments on the Final EIS/EIR to GSA on or before April 21, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments and requests for copies to Ms. Jane Woo, U.S. General Services Administration, Portfolio Management Division (9PT), 450 Golden Gate Avenue, 3rd Floor, San Francisco, California 94102.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Jane Woo, (415) 522–3487.

(Authority: NEPA, the Environmental Quality Improvement Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*), sec. 309 of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7609), and E.O. 11514 (Mar. 5, 1970, as amended by E.O. 11991, May 24, 1977)).

Dated: March 11, 1997.

Kenn N. Kojima,

Regional Administrator (9A).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 96E–0504]

Determination of Regulatory Review Period for Purposes of Patent Extension; BAYTRIL®

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has determined the regulatory review period for BAYTRIL® and is publishing this notice of that determination as required by law. FDA has made the determination because of the submission of an application to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce, for the extension of a patent which claims that animal drug product.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and petitions should be directed to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1–23, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian J. Malkin, Office of Health Affairs (HFY–20), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–443–1382.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98–417) and the Generic Animal Drug and Patent Term Restoration Act (Pub. L. 100–670) generally provide that a patent may be extended for a period of up to 5 years so long as the patented item (human drug product, animal drug product, medical device, food additive, or color additive) was subject to regulatory review by FDA before the item was marketed. Under these acts, a product's regulatory review period forms the basis for determining the amount of extension an applicant may receive.

A regulatory review period consists of two periods of time: A testing phase and an approval phase. For animal drug products, the testing phase begins on the earlier date when either a major environmental effects test was initiated for the drug or when an exemption under section 512(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360b(j)) became effective and runs until the approval phase begins. The approval phase starts with the initial submission of an application to market the animal drug product and continues until FDA grants permission to market the drug product. Although only a portion of a