

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 30, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than August 19, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Citigroup, Inc., and Citicorp*, both of New York, New York; to acquire through Citicorp Strategic Technology Corporation, New York, New York, an investment in GlobeSet, Inc., Austin, Texas, and engage in the development, manufacture, and distribution of software designed to provide electronic banking services to consumer and

business customers, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 639-7090. Send written comments to CDC, Desk Officer; Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235; Washington, DC 20503. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Projects

1. Application for Training for the CDC Distance Learning Program, Laboratory Training, and Other Training—(0920-0017)—Reinstatement—The Public Health Practice Program Office (PHPPO) is requesting an emergency clearance to resume data collection for the training forms associated with this clearance. We also plan on modifying/revising segments of the application forms. PHPPO in conjunction with the Public Health Training Network (PHTN) and the National Laboratory Training Network (NLTN) at CDC includes the Distance Learning Program which offers self-study, computer-based training, satellite broadcast, video courses, instructor-led field courses, and lab courses related to public health professionals worldwide. Employees of hospitals, universities, medical centers,

laboratories, state and federal agencies, and state and local health departments apply for training in an effort to learn up-to-date public health procedures. The "Application for Training" forms are the official applications used for all training activities conducted by the CDC.

The Continuing Education (CE) Program, which includes CDCs accreditation to provide Continuing Medical Education (CME), Continuing Nurse Education (CNE) and Continuing Education Unit (CEU) for almost all training activities, requires a unique identifying number, preferably the respondent's Social Security Number (SSN), to positively identify and track individuals who have been awarded CE credit. It is often necessary to identify individuals currently enrolled in courses, or to retrieve historical information as to when a particular individual completed a course or several courses over a time period. This information provides the basis for producing a requested transcript or determining if a person is enrolled in more than one course. The use of the SSN is the only positive way of assigning a unique number to a unique individual for this purpose. However, the use of the SSN is voluntary; if a student chooses not to submit a SSN, CDC assigns a unique identifier. The reason the SSN, rather than an arbitrary assigned number is preferred, is because students are not likely to remember an arbitrary number. A student's participation in the curriculum of self-study courses sometimes spans a number of years. The SSN is necessary for eliminating duplicate enrollments; for properly crediting students with completed course work who have similar names or have changed addresses; for generating transcripts of previous completed course work on a cumulative basis. Due to the volume of enrollments, CDC Form 36.5 has been previously approved and used for years as an optical mark scan form. Use of this form, along with the use of the Social Security Number, greatly enhances CDC's capability to process a much greater volume of enrollments in less time with much greater accuracy. The total burden hours are 8,025.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Avg. burden/response (in hrs.)
Application for Training—CDC 0.759A	6,300	1	0.0833
Application for Laboratory Training—CDC 32.1	10,000	1	0.0833
Application for Distance Learning Program—CDC 36.5	40,000	1	10/60

Nancy Cheal,

Acting Associate Director for Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Implementation of the Fertility Clinic Success Rate and Certification Act of 1992—A Model Program for the Certification of Embryo Laboratories; Correction

In notice document beginning on page 39374, in the **Federal Register** issue of Wednesday, July 21, 1999, make the following date corrections:

1. On page 39380, second column, line 14, change date "July 20" to "July 21"
2. On page 39386, second column, line 23, change date "July 20" to "July 21"
3. On page 39387, first column, section c. fourth line, change date "July 20" to "July 21"; same page, in the second column, section c. fourth line, change date "July 20" to "July 21"

Dated: July 30, 1999.

Joseph R. Carter,

Acting Associate Director for Management and Operations, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99F-2533]

Hercules, Inc.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Hercules, Inc., has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to permit a change in the softening point specifications of currently listed gum or wood rosin derivatives and provide for their safe use as plasticizing materials (softeners) in chewing gum base.

DATES: Written comments on the petitioner's environmental assessment by September 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary E. LaVecchia, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3072.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 9A4655) has been filed by Hercules, Inc., c/o 1001 G St. NW., Washington, DC 20001. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 172.615 *Chewing gum base* (21 CFR 172.615) to permit a change in the softening point specifications of currently listed gum or wood rosin derivatives and provide for their safe use as plasticizing materials (softeners) in chewing gum base. More specifically, the petition proposes to eliminate the upper limits on the permissible softening point ranges for these gum or wood rosin derivatives.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. To encourage public participation consistent with regulations issued under the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.4(b)), the agency is placing the environmental assessment submitted with the petition that is the subject of this notice on public display at the Dockets Management Branch (address above) for public review and comment. Interested persons may, on or before September 7, 1999, submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the office above between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. FDA will also place on public display any amendments to, or comments on, the petitioner's environmental assessment without further announcement in the **Federal Register**. If, based on its review, the agency finds that an environmental impact statement is not required and this petition results in a regulation, the notice of availability of the agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding will be published with the

regulation in the **Federal Register** in accordance with 21 CFR 25.40(c).

Dated: July 9, 1999.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 91F-0328]

Yoshitomi Fine Chemicals, Ltd.; Withdrawal of A Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of the food additive petition (FAP 1B4275) proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 4,5-dichloro-1,2-dithiol-3-one as a slimicide in the manufacture of paper and paperboard articles intended to contact food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark A. Hepp, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3098

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of September 19, 1991 (56 FR 47478), FDA announced that food additive petition (FAP 1B4275) had been filed by Yoshitomi Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., now Yoshitomi Fine Chemicals, Ltd., c/o suite 1000, 1625 K St. NW., Washington, DC 20006-1604. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 176.300 *Slimicides* (21 CFR 176.300) to provide for the safe use of 4,5-dichloro-1,2-dithiol-3-one as a slimicide in the manufacture of paper and paperboard articles intended to contact food. Yoshitomi Fine Chemicals, Ltd. has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: July 20, 1999.

Laura M. Tarantino,

Deputy Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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