

**§ 381.224 [Amended]**

3. Section 381.224 is amended by removing "Minnesota" from the "State" column in two places and by removing the corresponding dates.

Done at Washington, DC, on February 4, 2000.

Thomas J. Billy,  
Administrator.

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## **EMERGENCY STEEL GUARANTEE LOAN BOARD**

### **13 CFR Part 400**

RIN 3003-ZA00

#### **Loan Guarantee Decision: Application Deadline**

**AGENCY:** Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** In order to provide additional time for filing applications, the Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board is reopening the application window for the submission of guarantee applications.

**DATES:** This rule is effective February 11, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jay E. Dittus, Executive Director, Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 219-0584.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

In order to provide additional time for submission of completed applications, the deadline for the submission of applications has been reopened until February 28, 2000.

#### **Administrative Law Requirements Executive Order 12866**

This final rule has been determined not to be a significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

#### **Administrative Procedure Act**

This rule is exempt from the requirement to provide prior notice and an opportunity for public comment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), as it involves a matter relating to Board procedures and practice. Similarly, because this rule of procedure does not have a substantive effect on the public, it is not subject to a 30 day delay in effective date, as normally is required under 5 U.S.C. 553(d). However, the Board is interested in receiving public comment and is, therefore, issuing this rule as interim final.

#### **Regulatory Flexibility Act**

Because this rule is not subject to a requirement to provide prior notice and an opportunity for public comment public comment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, are inapplicable.

#### **Congressional Review Act**

This rule has been determined to be not major for purposes of the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*

#### **Intergovernmental Review**

No intergovernmental consultations with State and local officials is required because the rule is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 or Executive Order 12875.

#### **Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995**

This rule contains no Federal mandates, as that term is defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act, on State, local and tribal governments or the private sector.

#### **Executive Order 13132**

This rule does not contain policies having federalism implications requiring preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

#### **Executive Order 12630**

This rule does not contain policies that have takings implications.

#### **List of Subjects in 13 CFR Part 400**

Administrative practice and procedure, Loan Program—Steel, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

#### **Jay E. Dittus,**

*Executive Director, Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board.*

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board amends 13 CFR part 400 as follows:

1. The authority citation for part 400 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** Pub. L. 106-51, 113 Stat. 255 (15 U.S.C. 1841 note).

2. Section 400.205 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) to read as follows:

#### **§ 400.205 Application Process**

(a) Application process. An original application and three copies must be received by the Board no later than 5 P.M. EST, February 28, 2000, in the US Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room H-2500, Washington, DC 20230. Applications which have been provided

to a delivery service on or before February 27, 2000, with "delivery guaranteed" before 5 P.M. on February 28, 2000, will be accepted for review if the Applicant can document that the application was provided to the delivery service with delivery to the address listed in this section guaranteed prior to the closing date and time. A postmark of February 27, 2000, is not sufficient to meet this deadline as the application must be received by the required date and time. Applications will not be accepted via facsimile machine transmission or electronic mail.

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## **EMERGENCY OIL AND GAS GUARANTEED LOAN BOARD**

### **13 CFR Part 500**

RIN 3003-ZA00

#### **Loan Guarantee Decision; Application Deadline**

**AGENCY:** Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** In order to provide additional time for filing applications, the Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board is reopening the application window for the submission of guarantee applications.

**DATES:** This rule is effective February 11, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charles E. Hall, Executive Director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board, US Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 219-0584.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

In order to provide additional time for the submission of completed applications, the deadline for the submission of applications has been reopened until February 28, 2000.

#### **Administrative Law Requirements: Executive Order 12866**

This final rule has been determined not to be a significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

#### **Administrative Procedure Act**

This rule is exempt from the requirement to provide prior notice and

an opportunity for public comment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), as it involves a matter relating to Board procedures and practice. Similarly, because this rule of procedure does not have a substantive effect on the public, it is not subject to a 30 day delay in effective date, as normally is required under 5 U.S.C. § 553(d). However, the Board is interested in receiving public comment and is, therefore, issuing this rule as interim final.

### Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because this rule is not subject to a requirement to provide prior notice and an opportunity for public comment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, are inapplicable.

### Congressional Review Act

This rule has been determined to be not major for purposes of the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. § 801 *et seq.*

### Intergovernmental Review

No intergovernmental consultations with State and local officials is required because the rule is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 or Executive Order 12875.

### Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995

This rule contains no Federal mandates, as that term is defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act, on State, local and tribal governments or the private sector.

### Executive Order 13132

This rule does not contain policies having federalism implications requiring preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

### Executive Order 12630

This rule does not contain policies that have takings implications.

### List of Subjects in 13 CFR Part 500

Administrative practice and procedure, Loan Program—Oil and Gas, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

**Charles E. Hall,**

*Executive director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board.*

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board amends 13 CFR part 500 as follows:

1. The authority citation for part 500 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** Pub. L. 106–51, 113 Stat. 255 (15 U.S.C. 1841 note).

2. Section 500.205 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) to read as follows:

### § 500.205 Application Process

(a) *Application process.* An original application and three copies must be received by the Board no later than 5 P.M. EST, February 28, 2000, in the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., room H–2500, Washington, DC 20230. Applications which have been provided to a delivery service on or before February 27, 2000, with “delivery guaranteed” before 5 P.M. on February 28, 2000, will be acceptable for review if the Applicant can document that the application was provided to the delivery service with delivery to the address listed in this section guaranteed prior to the closing date and time. A postmark of February 27, 2000, is not sufficient to meet this deadline as the application must be received by the required date and time. Applications will not be accepted via facsimile machine transmission or electronic mail.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

#### 21 CFR Part 175

[Docket No. 92F–0443]

#### Indirect Food Additives: Adhesives and Components of Coatings

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the food additive regulations to provide for the safe use of 1,2-dibromo-2,4-dicyanobutane (DBDCB) and a mixture of 5-chloro-2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one (CMI) and 2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one (MI), optionally containing magnesium nitrate, as antimicrobial agents in emulsion-based silicone coating formulations. This action responds to a petition filed by Dow Corning Corp.

**DATES:** This regulation is effective February 11, 2000. Submit written objections and requests for a hearing by March 13, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written objections to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration,

5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Julius Smith, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–418–3091.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of February 12, 1993 (58 FR 8290), FDA announced that a petition (FAP 3B4346) had been filed by Dow Corning Corp., P.O. Box 994, Midland, MI 48686–0994. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 175.300 *Resinous and polymeric coatings* (21 CFR 175.300), § 175.320 *Resinous and polymeric coatings for polyolefin films* (21 CFR 175.320), and § 176.170 *Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods* (21 CFR 176.170) to provide for the safe use of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing polysiloxane and dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst. It also proposed that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 3,5-dimethyl-1-hexyne-3-ol, 1-ethynylcyclohexene, bis(methoxymethyl)ethyl maleate and methylvinyl cyclosiloxane as optional polymerization inhibitors. Additionally, the petition proposed that the regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 5-chloro-2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one and 2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one mixture, optionally containing magnesium nitrate, as an antimicrobial agent for emulsion-based silicone coating formulations.

However, subsequent to the filing of the petition, the petitioner requested that tetramethyltetravinylcyclotetrasiloxane be included in the petition. Therefore, in a notice published in the **Federal Register** of July 2, 1998 (63 FR 36246), FDA announced that it was amending the filing notice of February 12, 1993, to indicate that the petitioner was also proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of tetramethyltetravinylcyclotetrasiloxane as an optional polymerization inhibitor in the manufacture of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing polysiloxane and dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst.