

available to act, is hereby authorized to exercise and perform all the functions, power, authority and duties of the Office of Chairman:

(1) Member of the Board of the Chairman's Party;

(2) Member of the Board of the Minority Party;

(3) Executive Assistant to the Chairman;

(4) Secretary to the Board; or

(5) Director, Office of Congressional and Public Affairs.

(b) In the event of an enemy attack on the continental United States, all Field Office Chiefs, including any Acting Chiefs, are authorized in their respective regions to perform any function of the Chairman, whether or not otherwise delegated, which is essential to carry out responsibilities otherwise assigned to them. The respective officer will be notified when they are to cease exercising the authority delegated in this paragraph.

2. The temporary headquarters for operations of the FCA shall be at the Bloomington, Minnesota Field Office or, if that city is attacked and rendered unavailable, at such other relocation point as may be designated by an Acting Chairman.

3. An Acting Chairman may establish such branch office or offices of the FCA as are necessary to coordinate the operations of the FCA with those of other Government agencies.

4. This Order shall be effective immediately and supersedes prior delegations and authorizations of the Governor of the FCA dated March 1, 1977. This Order shall remain in effect until amended, superseded, or revoked.

Frank W. Naylor, Jr.,

Chairman, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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[Farm Credit Administration Order No. 881]

Designation of Contracting Officer (Revocation of FCA Order No. 868)

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Chairman of the Farm Credit Administration issued Order No. 881 designating certain employees to act as contracting officers. The text of the Order is as follows:

1. The Director, Office of Administration, is hereby designated to act: (a) As Contracting Officer of the Farm Credit Administration with unlimited authority to execute all contracts, agreements, and memoranda

of understanding of the Farm Credit Administration, to exercise related power of the Farm Credit Administration under the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended, and under 31 U.S.C. 1535, including the making of related determinations and decisions, and to administer all contracts, agreements, and memoranda of understanding of the Farm Credit Administration; and (b) as the senior procurement executive pursuant to the requirements of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act of 1974, as amended.

2. The Chief, Administrative Services Division, and the Chief, Contracting and Procurement Branch, Office of Administration, are hereby authorized to act as Contracting Officers of the Farm Credit Administration with authority to execute all contracts, agreements, and memoranda of understanding of the Farm Credit Administration not in excess of \$50,000 except those involving other Federal Government agencies, including the making of related determinations and decisions and to administer all contracts, agreements, and memoranda of understanding of the Farm Credit Administration, except as the Director, Office of Administration may otherwise provide.

3. The Chief, Administrative Services Division may delegate to Ordering Officers authority to negotiate and sign orders for small purchases not in excess of \$25,000.

4. The Chief, Budget and Accounting Division, Office of Administration, is hereby authorized to act as signatory authority for the Farm Credit Administration with authority to execute all agreements and memoranda of understanding between the Farm Credit Administration and other Federal Government agencies, including the making of related determinations and decisions and to administer all such agreements and memoranda of understanding of the Farm Credit Administration, except as the Director, Office of Administration, may otherwise provide.

5. All actions taken pursuant to this Order shall be in conformity with guidelines approved by the Chairman and with all applicable requirements of law, executive orders, and regulations.

6. Farm Credit Administration Order No. 868, dated September 29, 1986, is hereby revoked.

7. The provisions of this Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until

amended or revoked by subsequent order.

Frank W. Naylor, Jr.,

Chairman, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Federal Savings and Loan Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Federal Savings and Loan Advisory Council. Notice of the meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATES: November 18, 1987, 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; November 19, 1987, 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

ADDRESS: Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Board Room, 6th Floor, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John M. Buckley, Jr. (202/377-6577)

Debra J. Ahearn (202/377-6924)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed agenda:

1. FSLAC Operating Procedures
2. Enhancing the Thrift Charter
3. Federal Reserve Board's Proposal to allow commercial banks to acquire healthy S&Ls

No. 14, October 26, 1987.

John F. Ghizzoni,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 87F-0320]

Ciba-Geigy Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Ciba-Geigy Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the increased use of di-tert-butylphenyl phosphonite condensation product with

biphenyl as an antioxidant for low density polyethylene and olefin copolymers intended to contact food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marvin D. Mack, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFF-335), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-472-5690.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5), 72 Stat. 1786 (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a petition (FAP 7B4018) has been filed by Ciba-Geigy Corp., Three Skyline Dr., Hawthorne, NY 10532, proposing that § 178.2010 *antioxidants and/or stabilizers for polymers* (21 CFR 178.2010) be amended to provide for the increased use of di-*tert*-butylphenyl phosphonite condensation product with biphenyl as an antioxidant for low density polyethylene and olefin copolymers intended to contact food.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. If 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: October 20, 1987.

Fred R. Shank,

Acting Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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[Docket No. 87F-0327]

The Dow Chemical Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that The Dow Chemical Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additives regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of ethylene-acrylic acid-carbon monoxide copolymer as an adhesive in multilayer structures intended for use in contact with food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julius Smith, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFF-335), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-472-5690.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5), 72 Stat. 1786 (21

U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a petition (FAP 7B4037) has been filed by The Dow Chemical Co., 1803 Building, Door 7, Midland, MI 48674, proposing that § 175.105 *Adhesives* (21 CFR 175.105) be amended to provide for the safe use of ethylene-acrylic acid-carbon monoxide copolymer as an adhesive in multilayer structures intended for use in contact with food.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. If 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: October 20, 1987.

Fred R. Shank,

Acting Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This notice also summarizes the procedures for the meeting and methods by which interested persons may participate in open public hearings before FDA's advisory committees.

Meeting: The following advisory committee meeting is announced:

Ophthalmic Devices Panel

Date, time, and place. November 17, 1987, 1:30 p.m., Conference Rm. A, Parklawn Bldg., 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD.

Type of meeting and contact person. This meeting will be held by a telephone conference call. A speaker telephone will be provided in the conference room to allow public participation in the meeting. Open public hearing, 1:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.; open committee discussion, 1:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Daniel W.C. Brown, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-460), Food and Drug Administration, 8757 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910, 301-427-7320.

General function of the committee. The committee reviews and evaluates available data on the safety and effectiveness of devices currently in use and makes recommendations for their

regulation. The committee also reviews data on new devices and makes recommendations regarding their safety and effectiveness and their suitability for marketing.

Agenda—Open public hearing. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Those desiring to make formal presentations should notify the contact person before November 10, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of the proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time required to make their comments.

Open committee discussion. The committee will discuss general issues relating to approvals of premarket applications for contact lenses. The committee may also discuss general issues relating to other ophthalmic devices.

FDA public advisory committee meetings may have as many as four separable portions: (1) An open public hearing, (2) an open committee discussion, (3) a closed presentation of data, and (4) a closed committee deliberation. Every advisory committee meeting shall have an open public hearing portion. Whether or not it also includes any of the other three portions will depend upon the specific meeting involved. There are no closed portions for the meetings announced in this notice. The dates and times reserved for the open portions of each committee meeting are listed above.

The open public hearing portion of each meeting shall be at least 1 hour long unless public participation does not last the long. It is emphasized, however, that the 1 hour time limit for an open public hearing represents a minimum rather than a maximum time for public participation, and an open public hearing may last for whatever longer period the committee chairperson determines will facilitate the committee's work.

Public hearings are subject to FDA's guideline (Subpart C of 21 CFR Part 10) concerning the policy and procedures for electronic media coverage of FDA's public administrative proceedings, including hearings before public advisory committees under 21 CFR Part 14. Under 21 CFR 10.205, representatives of the electronic media may be permitted, subject to certain limitations, to videotape, film, or otherwise record FDA's public administrative proceedings, including presentations by participants.

Meetings of advisory committees shall be conducted, insofar as is practical, in accordance with the agenda published in this *Federal Register* notice. Changes in the agenda will be announced at the beginning of the open portion of a meeting.

Any interested person who wishes to be assured of the right to make an oral presentation at the open public hearing portion of a meeting shall inform the contact person listed above, either orally or in writing, prior to the meeting. Any person attending the hearing who does not in advance of the meeting request an opportunity to speak will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the hearing's conclusion, if time permits, at the chairperson's discretion.

Persons interested in specific agenda items to be discussed in open session may ascertain from the contact person the approximate time of discussion.

Details on the agenda, questions to be addressed by the committee, and a current list of committee members are available from the contact person before and after the meeting. Transcripts of the open portion of the meeting will be available from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI-35), Food and Drug Administration, Rm. 12A-16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcript may be viewed at the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, Rm. 4-62, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Summary minutes of the open portion of the meeting will be available from the Freedom of Information Office (address above) beginning approximately 90 days after the meeting.

This notice is issued under section 10(a) (1) and (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770-776 (5 U.S.C. App. I)), and FDA's regulations (21 CFR Part 14) on advisory committees.

Dated: October 22, 1987.

Ronald G. Chesemore,
Acting Associate Commissioner for
Regulatory Affairs.

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Health Care Financing Administration

Medicaid Program, Hearing to Reconsider Disapproval of a Pennsylvania State Plan Amendment

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of Hearing.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an administrative hearing on December 17, 1987 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to reconsider our decision to partially disapprove Pennsylvania State Plan Amendment 86-14.

CLOSING DATE: Requests to participate in the hearing as a party must be received by the Docket Clerk November 13, 1987.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Docket Clerk, Hearing Staff, Bureau of Eligibility, Reimbursement and Coverage, 300 East High Rise, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207, Telephone: (301) 594-8261.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces an administrative hearing to reconsider our decision to partially disapprove Pennsylvania State Plan Amendment 86-14.

Section 1116 of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR Parts 201 and 213 establish Department procedures that provide an administrative hearing for reconsideration of a disapproval of a State plan or plan amendment. HCFA is required to publish a copy of the notice to a State Medicaid Agency that informs the agency of the time and place of the hearing and the issues to be considered. (If we subsequently notify the agency of additional issues that will be considered at the hearing, we will also publish that notice.)

Any individual or group that wants to participate in the hearing as a party must petition the Hearing Officer within 15 days after publication of this notice, in accordance with the requirements contained in 45 CFR 213.15(b)(2). Any interested person or organization that wants to participate as *amicus curiae* must petition the Hearing Officer before the hearing begins in accordance with the requirements contained in 45 CFR 213.15(c)(1).

If the hearing is later rescheduled, the Hearing Officer will notify all participants.

The issue in this matter is whether portions of Pennsylvania SPA 86-14 violate section 1902(a)(10) (A) and (C) of the Social Security Act and regulations at 42 CFR 435.711 and 435.721.

Pennsylvania submitted SPA 86-14 which updates the Pennsylvania Medicaid State plan with the requirements of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984.

HCFA disapproved Attachment to Attachment 2.6-A, page 13 of SPA 86-14 because it determined that the page contains financial eligibility rules that are in some respects more liberal and in

other respects more restrictive than permitted by law and regulations. On August 18, 1987 Pub. L. 100-93 amended the moratorium established by section 2373(c) of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984. Among other things, the amendment makes clear that the moratorium affords protection to State plan amendments (whether or not approved) as well as to existing approved State plans. The moratorium is limited to the medically needy and the optional categorically needy groups described in sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (IV), (V), and (VI). It also applies only to provisions which do not make any individual ineligible who would be eligible except for that provision. Thus, provisions which are more restrictive in any respect than the cash assistance rules are not protected. However, the moratorium does not preclude HHS from disapproving State plan submissions which do not satisfy the requirements of the Medicaid statute, but prevents HHS from penalizing States for adhering to the terms of the material protected by the moratorium. Thus, although certain portions of Pennsylvania's amendment may be covered under the amended moratorium, the disapproval of these provisions remains proper. The State may, however, implement those provisions covered by the moratorium during the period in which the moratorium remains in effect. The moratorium does not relieve the State of its obligations to adhere to the income caps established by section 1903(f) of the Social Security Act.

The following describes each provision of Attachment to Attachment 2.6-A, page 13.

A. Provisions proposed for AFDC-related individuals

1. The State indicates it does not apply the AFDC treatment of lump-sum income policy in determining eligibility for medical assistance. Under AFDC when the family's income exceeds the need standard because of receipt of nonrecurring lump-sum income the family will be ineligible for aid for the full number of months derived by dividing the sum of the lump-sum income and any other income by the applicable monthly need standard. (See 45 CFR 233.20(a)(3)(ii)(F).) HCFA has determined that Pennsylvania's proposal to not apply AFDC lump-sum rules is more liberal than AFDC policy because the lump sum payment is counted as income only in the month received which results in potentially no more than 1 month of ineligibility rather than up to several months as may be the case under the AFDC rule. Additionally,