

diagnosis of TB; impact of managed care on TB control efforts; and surveillance efforts relating to TB control. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 95F-0122]

**Hempel Coatings (USA), Inc.;
Withdrawal of 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 a food additive petition (FAP 5B4457), proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of meta-xylylenediamine and 3-diethylaminopropylamine as components of articles intended for food-contact use.

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 June 22, 1995 (60 FR 32526), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 5B4457) had been filed by Hempel Coatings (USA), Inc., 6901 Cavalcade St., Houston, TX 77028. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 175.300 *Resinous and polymeric coatings* (21 CFR 175.300) to provide for the safe use of meta-xylylenediamine and 3-diethylaminopropylamine as components of articles intended for food-contact use. Hempel Coatings (USA), Inc., has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: March 26, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97N-0029]

"Guidance for Industry for the Evaluation of Combination Vaccines for Preventable Diseases: Production, Testing and Clinical Studies;" Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a document entitled "Guidance for Industry for the Evaluation of Combination Vaccines for Preventable Diseases: Production, Testing and Clinical Studies." This document provides information regarding the manufacture and clinical study of combination vaccines. This document is intended to assist manufacturers and other interested parties with the development and licensure of combination vaccines.

DATES: Written comments may be submitted at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies of "Guidance for Industry for the Evaluation of Combination Vaccines for Preventable Diseases: Production, Testing and Clinical Studies" to the Office of Communication, Training, and Manufacturers Assistance (HFM-40), Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-1448. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests. The document may also be obtained by mail by calling the CBER Voice Information System at 1-800-835-4709 or 301-827-1800, or by fax by calling the FAX Information System at 1-888-CBER-FAX or 301-827-3844. Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the document using the World Wide Web (WWW), or bounce-back e-mail. For WWW access, connect to CBER at "http://www.fda.gov/cber/cberftp.html". To receive the document by bounce-back e-mail, send a message to "COMBVAC@A1.CBER.FDA.GOV". Submit written comments on the guidance document to the Dockets

Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23, Rockville, MD 20857. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. A copy of this document and received comments are available for public examination in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen M. Ripley, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFM-630), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-1448, 301-594-3074.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA is announcing the availability of a document entitled "Guidance for Industry for the Evaluation of Combination Vaccines for Preventable Diseases: Production, Testing and Clinical Studies." In the **Federal Register** of June 25, 1993 (58 FR 34469), FDA announced the July 28 and 29, 1993, scientific workshop entitled "Combined Vaccines and Simultaneous Administration: Current Issues and Perspectives." Issues discussed and information gathered in this workshop were considered in preparing this document. Prior to making this document available for industry use, FDA presented the issues discussed in this document at the October 27, 1995, Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee meeting. FDA announced the advisory committee meeting and the availability of a draft guidance document in the **Federal Register** of October 2, 1995 (60 FR 51481 at 51482). Comments received from the meeting were considered in further preparation of this document.

For the purposes of this guidance document, a combination vaccine consists of two or more live organisms, inactivated organisms or purified antigens combined either by the manufacturer or mixed immediately before administration, and it is intended to: (1) Prevent multiple diseases, or (2) prevent one disease caused by different strains or serotypes of the same organism. Vectored vaccines and conjugated vaccines are combination vaccines, if the prevention of the disease caused by the vector organism or the carrier moiety is to be one of the combination's indication.

This guidance document discusses the approach manufacturers, sponsors, and investigators should follow in the