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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 96F-0293]

Avecia 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 6B4516) proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 2-methyl-4,5-trimethylene-4-isothiazolin-3-one as a preservative for paper and paperboard coatings used in contact with food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vir D. Anand, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the *Federal Register* of August 27, 1996 (61 FR 44067), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 6B4516) had been filed by Zeneca Inc., Foulkstone 1405, 2d, 1800 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19850-5457. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 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 2-methyl-4,5-trimethylene-4-isothiazolin-3-one as a preservative for paper and paperboard coatings used in contact with food. Since publication of the filing notice, Zeneca Inc.'s, specialty chemicals group has been spun-off to form a new company, Avecia Inc., 1405 Foulk Rd., Wilmington, DE 19850-5457. Avecia Inc., has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

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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

Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). At least one portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Name of Committee: Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee:

To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on December 15, 1999, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Corporate Bldg., conference room 20B, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD.

Contact Person: Michelle Y. Stuart, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-440), Food and Drug Administration, 2098 Gaither Rd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301-594-1293, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12515. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Procedure: On December 15, 1999, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., the meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by December 13, 1999. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person by December 13, 1999, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation. Time allotted for the presentations may be limited.

Closed Committee Deliberations: On December 15, 1999, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the meeting will be closed to the public. The committee will hear and review trade secret and/or confidential commercial information on a product development protocol (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4)). This portion of the meeting

is closed to permit discussion of this information.

FDA regrets that it was unable to publish this notice 15 days prior to the December 15, 1999, Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee meeting. Because the agency believes there is some urgency to bring this issue to public discussion and qualified members of the Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee were available at this time, the Commissioner concluded that it was in the public interest to hold this meeting even if there was not sufficient time for the customary 15-day public notice.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: December 7, 1999.

Linda A. Suydam,

Senior Associate Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[HCFA-3029-N]

Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medical and Surgical Procedures Panel of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee—January 19 and 20, 2000

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

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the Medical and Surgical Procedures Panel of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee (MCAC). The panel provides advice and recommendations to the agency about clinical coverage issues. The panel will hear and discuss presentations from interested persons regarding behavioral interventions (pelvic muscle rehabilitation) for the management of non-neurogenic urinary incontinence in adults. The meeting will primarily focus on two management options: biofeedback and pelvic floor electrical stimulation. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)).

DATES:

The Meeting: The meeting will be held on January 19, 2000 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., E.D.T., and on January 20, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., E.D.T.