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Bob Sargis,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00F-0089]

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of phosphorous acid, bis[2,4-bis(1,1-dimethyl)-6-methylphenyl] ethyl ester as a stabilizer in olefin polymers intended to contact food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Hortense S. Macon, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-206), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3086.

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 0B4702) has been filed by Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp., 540 White Plains Road, P.O. Box 2005, Tarrytown, NY 10591-9005. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 178.2010 *Antioxidants and/or stabilizers for polymers* (21 CFR 178.2010) to provide for the safe use of phosphorous acid, bis[2,4-bis(1,1-dimethyl)-6-methylphenyl] ethyl ester as a stabilizer in olefin polymers intended to contact food. This substance is regulated currently as bis(2,4-di-tert-butyl-6-methylphenyl)ethyl phosphite under 21 CFR 178.2010. The name phosphorous acid, bis[2,4-bis(1,1-dimethyl)-6-methylphenyl] ethyl ester is the most

current nomenclature in the Chemical Abstracts Service Registry System.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action is of the type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: December 28, 1999.

Laura M. Tarantino,

Acting Director, Office of Premarket

Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: January 31, 2000, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

PLACE: 901 N. Stuart Street, Tenth Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

STATUS: Open session.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

- Approval of the Minutes of the July 23, 1999, Meeting of the Board of Directors.
- Discussion of Fiscal Year 2000 Programs and Operations.
- Development of Fiscal Year 2001 Program Initiatives and Strategies.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Adolfo A. Franco, Secretary to the Board of Directors, (703) 306-4325.

Dated: January 7, 2000.

Adolfo A. Franco,

Sunshine Act Officer.

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INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON CRIME AND SECURITY IN U.S. SEAPORTS

Public Meetings

AGENCY: Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports.

ACTION: Notice of Public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports announces that it will be holding three public meetings/listening sessions to receive input and feedback from the private sector concerning the significant issues involving crime, security, and terrorism in U.S. seaports.

DATES: The public meetings/listening sessions will be held on February 2,

2000, in the Norfolk/Hampton Roads, Virginia area; February 16, 2000, in the Oakland/San Francisco, California area; and March 1, 2000, in the Houston, Texas area.

ADDRESSES: The Norfolk/Hampton Roads session on February 2, 2000 will be held at the Ramada Inn, 615 Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451. The Oakland/San Francisco meeting on February 16, 2000 will be held at the Holiday Inn Financial District, 750 Kearney St., San Francisco, California 94108. The Houston meeting on March 1, 2000 will be held at the Radisson Conference Center, 9100 Gulf Freeway, Houston, Texas 77017. All meetings/sessions are scheduled to begin at 9 A.M. and conclude at 1:00 P.M.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James Kelly, Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports, (202) 927-3741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports, which is comprised of representatives from several different Federal Agencies, was established by Executive Memorandum on April 27, 1999. The President's Memorandum is printed in the Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents, Vol. 35 (1999), page 755. The Commission is co-chaired by representatives from the Department of the Treasury, Department of Transportation, and Department of Justice.

By a document published in the **Federal Register** on June 16, 1999 (64 FR 32211), the Commission announced that it was established to conduct a comprehensive study of the nature and extent of crime and the overall state of security in U.S. seaports, and the ways in which Federal, State and local governments were responding to this problem. The Commission's study is intended to address all serious crime occurring in the maritime context, including but not limited to drug trafficking, cargo theft, and the smuggling of contraband and aliens. The Commission is responsible for submitting a report by April 27, 2000, which provides: an analysis of the nature and extent of serious crime and the overall state of security in U.S. seaports; an overview of the specific missions and authorities of Federal, state and local agencies as well as the private sector in U.S. seaports; an assessment of the effectiveness of coordination amongst government agencies; and recommendations for addressing seaport-related crimes. Additional information about the Commission and its activities may be