

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E, AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6010(a)—Domestic VOR Federal Airways

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V–23 [Revised]

From Mission Bay, CA; Oceanside, CA; 24 miles, 6 miles wide, Seal Beach, CA; 6 miles wide, INT Seal Beach 287° and Los Angeles, CA, 138° radials; Los Angeles; Gorman, CA; Shafter, CA; Clovis, CA; 53 miles, 6 miles wide, Linden, CA; Sacramento, CA; INT Sacramento 346° and Red Bluff, CA, 158° radials; Red Bluff; 58 miles, 95 MSL, Fort Jones, CA; Rogue Valley, OR; Eugene, OR; Battle Ground, WA; INT Battle Ground 350° and Seattle, WA, 197° radials; 21 miles, 45 MSL, Seattle; Paine, WA; Whatcom, WA; via INT Whatcom 290° radial to the United States/Canadian border.

V–165 [Revised]

From Mission Bay, CA; INT Mission Bay 270° and Oceanside, CA, 177° radials; Oceanside; 24 miles, 6 miles wide, Seal Beach, CA; 6 miles wide, INT Seal Beach 287° and Los Angeles, CA, 138° radials; Los Angeles; INT Los Angeles 357° and Lake Hughes, CA, 154° radials; Lake Hughes; INT Lake Hughes 344° and Shafter, CA, 137° radials; Shafter; Porterville, CA; INT Porterville 339° and Clovis, CA, 139° radials; Clovis; 68 miles, 50 miles, 131 MSL, Mustang, NV; 40 miles, 12 AGL, 7 miles, 115 MSL, 54 miles, 135 MSL, 81 miles, 12 AGL, Lakeview, OR; 5 miles, 72 miles, 90 MSL, Deschutes, OR; 16 miles, 19 miles, 95 MSL, 24 miles, 75 MSL, 12 miles, 65 MSL, Newberg, OR; 32 miles, 45 MSL, INT Newberg 355° and Olympia, WA, 195° radials; Olympia; Penn Cove, WA; to Whatcom, WA.

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V–349 [Revised]

From Whatcom, WA, to Williams Lake, BC, Canada. The airspace within Canada is excluded.

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V–1495 [Revised]

From Abbotsford, BC, NDB, Canada, via Whatcom, WA; Victoria, BC, Canada; via Seattle, WA; Battle Ground, WA; Newberg, OR; Corvallis, OR; INT Corvallis 195° and Roseburg, OR 355° radials; Roseburg; INT Roseburg 174° and Fort Jones, CA 340° radials, to Fort Jones. The airspace within Canada is excluded.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Parts 175 and 176

[Docket No. 92F–0111]

Indirect Food Additives: Adhesives and Components of Coatings and Paper and Paperboard Components

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 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt in food-contact adhesives and as a component of paper and paperboard intended to contact food. This action is in response to three petitions filed by The Lubrizol Corp.

DATES: This rule is effective February 18, 2000; Written objections and requests for a hearing by March 20, 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: Edward J. Machuga, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–418–3085.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of April 8, 1992 (57 FR 11958), FDA announced that three food additive petitions (FAP 9B4133, 9B4131, and 9B4132) had been filed on behalf of The Lubrizol Corp., 29400 Lakeland Blvd.,

Wickliffe, OH 44092–2298. The petitions proposed, respectively, that the food additive regulations in § 175.105 *Adhesives* (21 CFR 175.105), § 176.170 *Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods* (21 CFR 176.170), and § 176.180 *Components of paper and paperboard in contact with dry food* (21 CFR 176.180) be amended to provide for the safe use of poly(sodium 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonate) in adhesives and as components of paper and paperboard intended to contact food.

In the filing notice, FDA used the common name to identify the additive. However, in the final rule, the Chemical Abstract Service name, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt, is used because the structure of the food additive is more readily understood from this name. In addition, FDA believes that listing the additive under both §§ 176.170 and 176.180 is redundant because § 176.180(b)(1) (21 CFR 176.180(b)(1)) permits the use of those substances listed in § 176.170 (21 CFR 176.170) as components of paper and paperboard in contact with dry food. Therefore, FDA is listing the proposed uses of the additive only under §§ 176.170 and 175.105.

In FDA's evaluation of the safety of 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt, the agency reviewed the safety of the additive itself and the chemical impurities that may be present in the additive resulting from its manufacturing process. Although the additive itself has not been shown to cause cancer, it may contain minute amounts of acrylamide and acrylonitrile as impurities resulting from its manufacture. These chemicals have been shown to cause cancer in test animals. Residual amounts of impurities are commonly found as constituents of chemical products, including food additives.

II. Determination of Safety

Under the general safety standard of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act), (21 U.S.C. 348(c)(3)(A)), a food additive cannot be approved for a particular use unless a fair evaluation of the data available to FDA establishes that the additive is safe for that use. FDA's food additive regulations (21 CFR 170.3(i)) define safe as "a reasonable certainty in the minds of competent scientists that the substance is not harmful under the intended conditions of use."

The food additives anticancer, or Delaney, clause of the act (21 U.S.C.

348(c)(3)(A) provides that no food additive shall be deemed safe if it is found to induce cancer when ingested by man or animal. Importantly, however, the Delaney clause applies to the additive itself and not to impurities in the additive. That is, where an additive itself has not been shown to cause cancer, but contains a carcinogenic impurity, the additive is properly evaluated under the general safety standard using risk assessment procedures to determine whether there is a reasonable certainty that no harm will result from the intended use of the additive. *Scott v. FDA*, 728 F.2d 322 (6th Cir. 1984).

III. Safety of the Petitioned Uses of the Additive

FDA estimates that the petitioned uses of the additive, 2-acrylamido-2-methyl-propanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt, will result in exposure to no greater than 100 parts per billion (ppb) of the additive in the daily diet (3 kilograms (kg)) or an estimated daily intake (EDI) of no more than 300 micrograms per person per day ($\mu\text{g/p/d}$) (Ref. 1).

FDA does not ordinarily consider chronic toxicological studies to be necessary to determine the safety of an additive whose use will result in such low exposure levels (Ref. 2), and the agency has not required such testing here. However, the agency has reviewed the available toxicological data on the additive and concludes that the estimated small dietary exposure resulting from the petitioned uses of this additive is safe.

FDA has evaluated the safety of this additive under the general safety standard, considering all available data and using risk assessment procedures to estimate the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk presented by acrylamide and acrylonitrile, the carcinogenic chemicals that may be present as impurities in the additive. The risk evaluation of acrylamide and acrylonitrile has two aspects: (1) Assessment of exposure to the impurities from the petitioned uses of the additive; and (2) extrapolation of the risk observed in the animal bioassays to the conditions of exposure to humans.

A. Acrylamide

FDA has estimated the exposure to acrylamide from the petitioned uses of the additive as a component of adhesives and of paper and paperboard in contact with food to be no more than 0.15 part per trillion (ppt) in the daily diet (3 kg), or 0.45 nanogram per person per day (ng/p/d) (Ref. 3). The agency used published data from a long-term

rat bioassay on acrylamide conducted by Johnson et al. (Ref. 4), in addition to unpublished data from this bioassay contained in FAP 9B4131, to estimate the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk from exposure to this chemical resulting from the petitioned uses of the additive. The authors reported that the test material caused significantly increased incidences of thyroid follicular adenomas and testicular mesotheliomas in male rats, and mammary tumors (adenomas or adenocarcinomas; fibromas or fibroadenomas; adenocarcinomas alone), central nervous system tumors (brain astrocytomas, brain or spinal cord glial tumors) and uterine tumors in female rats.

Based on the agency's estimate that exposure to acrylamide will not exceed 0.45 ng/p/d , FDA estimates that the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk from the petitioned uses of the subject additive is 5.4×10^{-9} , or 5.4 in a billion (Refs. 5 and 6). Because of the numerous conservative assumptions used in calculating the exposure estimate, the actual lifetime-averaged individual exposure to acrylamide is likely to be substantially less than the estimated exposure, and therefore, the probable lifetime human risk would be less than the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk. Thus, the agency concludes that there is reasonable certainty that no harm from exposure to acrylamide would result from the petitioned uses of the additive.

B. Acrylonitrile

FDA has estimated the exposure to acrylonitrile from the petitioned uses of the additive as a component of adhesives and of paper and paperboard in contact with food to be no more than 0.3 ppt in the daily diet (3 kg), or 0.9 ng/p/d (Ref. 3). The agency used data from a long-term rodent bioassay on acrylonitrile conducted by Quast et al. (Ref. 7), to estimate the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk from exposure to this chemical resulting from the petitioned uses of the additive. The authors reported that the test material caused astrocytomas of the nervous system, papillomas and carcinomas of the tongue, papillomas and carcinomas of the stomach, and Zymbal's gland carcinomas in male and female rats. The authors also reported carcinomas of the small intestine and the mammary gland in female rats.

Based on the agency's estimate that exposure to acrylonitrile will not exceed 0.9 ng/p/d , FDA estimates that the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk from the petitioned uses of the subject additive is 1.6×10^{-9} , or 1.6 in

a billion (Refs. 8 and 9). Because of the numerous conservative assumptions used in calculating the exposure estimate, the actual lifetime-averaged individual exposure to acrylonitrile is likely to be substantially less than the estimated exposure, and therefore, the probable lifetime human risk would be less than the upper-bound limit of lifetime human risk. Thus, the agency concludes that there is reasonable certainty that no harm from exposure to acrylonitrile would result from the petitioned uses of the additive.

C. Need for Specifications

The agency has also considered whether specifications are necessary to control the amount of acrylamide and acrylonitrile as impurities in the food additive. The agency finds that specifications are not necessary for the following reasons: (1) Because of the low levels at which acrylamide and acrylonitrile may be expected to remain as impurities following production of the additive, the agency would not expect these impurities to become components of food at other than extremely low levels; and (2) the upper-bound limits of lifetime human risk from exposure to acrylamide and acrylonitrile are very low, 5.4 in a billion and 1.6 in a billion, respectively.

IV. Conclusion

FDA has evaluated data in the three petitions and other relevant material. Based on this information, the agency concludes that: (1) The proposed uses of the additive as a component of adhesives, and paper and paperboard in contact with food are safe, (2) the additive will achieve its intended technical effect, and therefore, (3) the regulations in §§ 175.105 and 176.170 should be amended as set forth below.

In accordance with § 171.1(h) (21 CFR 171.1(h)), the petition and the documents that FDA considered and relied upon in reaching its decision to approve the petition are available for inspection at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition by appointment with the information contact person listed above. As provided in § 171.1(h), the agency will delete from the documents any materials that are not available for public disclosure before making the documents available for inspection.

V. Environmental Impact

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action is of a 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.

VI. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This final rule contains no collection of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 is not required.

VII. Objections

Any person who will be adversely affected by this regulation may at any time on or before March 20, 2000 file with the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written objections thereto. Each objection shall be separately numbered, and each numbered objection shall specify with particularity the provisions of the regulation to which objection is made and the grounds for the objection. Each numbered objection on which a hearing is requested shall specifically so state. Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed description and analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection. Three copies of all documents shall be submitted and shall be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Any objections received in response to the regulation may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch (address above) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

VIII. References

The following references have been placed on display in the Dockets Management Branch (address above) and may be seen by interested persons between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

1. Memorandum of an internal communication between A. B. Bailey, Chemistry and Environmental Review Team, K. Biddle and K. P. Misra, Division of Health Effects Evaluation, and D. N. Harrison, Division of Petition Control, dated October 6, 1998.

2. Kokoski, C. J., "Regulatory Food Additive Toxicology," In *Chemical Safety Regulation and Compliance*, edited by F. Homburger, and J. K. Marquis, New York, NY, pp. 24-33, 1985.

3. Memorandum dated June 15, 1998, from Chemistry and Environmental Review Team to the Division of Petition Control, "Use of poly(sodium 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonate) in Latex Emulsions for Adhesives and Coatings in Paper and Paperboard."

4. Johnson, K. A., Gorzinski, S. J., Bodner, K. M., Campbell, R. A., Wolf, C. H., Friedman, M. A., and Mast, R. W. "Chronic Toxicity and Oncogenicity Study on Acrylamide Incorporated in the Drinking Water of Fischer 344 rats," *Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology*, 85:154-168, 1986.

5. Memorandum dated December 18, 1998, from the Division of Petition Control to the Quantitative Risk assessment Committee, "Estimation of Upper-Bound Lifetime Risk for 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt, FAPS 9B4131, 9B4132 and 9B4133."

6. Memorandum of Conference, Date: February 13, 1985; June 6, 1985; May 31, 1996, Place: FDA, CFSAN, Washington, DC, Purpose: Cancer Assessment Committee Meeting, Subject: Acrylamide.

7. Quast, J. F., Wade, C. E., Humiston, C. G., Carreon, R. M., Hermann, E. A., Park, C. N., Schwetz, B. A. "A Two Year Toxicity and Oncogenicity Study with Acrylonitrile Incorporated in the Drinking Water of Rats," Toxicology Research Laboratory, Health and Environmental Sciences, Dow Chemical USA, Midland, MI 48640. Final report dated

January 22, 1980. Corrections dated November 17, 1980.

8. Memorandum dated September 4, 1998, from the Division of Health Effects Evaluation to the Division of Petition Control, "FAPs 9B4131, 9B4132, and 9B4133: Worst-Case Cancer Risk Assessment for Acrylonitrile," Correction to July 28, 1998, memorandum from the Division of Health Effects Evaluation to the Quantitative Risk Assessment Committee.

9. Memorandum dated July 28, 1998, from the Division of Health Effects Evaluation to the Quantitative Risk Assessment Committee, "FAPs 9B4131, 9B4132, and 9B4133: Worst-Case Cancer Risk Assessment for Acrylonitrile" and the April 15, 1999, Addendum.

List of Subjects

21 CFR Part 175

Adhesives, Food additives, Food packaging.

21 CFR Part 176

Food additives, Food packaging.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 21 CFR parts 175 and 176 are amended as follows:

PART 175—INDIRECT FOOD ADDITIVES: ADHESIVES AND COMPONENTS OF COATINGS

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 175 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321, 342, 348, 379e.

2. Section 175.105 is amended in the table in paragraph (c)(5) by alphabetically adding a new entry under the heading "Substances" to read as follows:

§ 175.105	Adhesives.
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(5)	* * *

Substances	Limitations
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2-Acrylamido-2-methyl-propanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt (CAS Reg. No. 35641-59-9).	*
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PART 176—INDIRECT FOOD ADDITIVES: PAPER AND PAPERBOARD COMPONENTS

3. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 176 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321, 342, 346, 348, 379e.

4. Section 176.170 is amended in the table in paragraph (b)(2) by alphabetically adding a new entry under the headings "List of substances" and "Limitations" to read as follows:

§ 176.170 Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods.

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(b)	* * *
(2)	* * *

List of Substances	Limitations
2-Acrylamido-2-methyl-propanesulfonic acid, homopolymer, sodium salt (CAS Reg. No. 35641-59-9).	For use only in coatings at a level not to exceed 0.01 mg/in ²

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Dated: February 8, 2000.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Acting Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 86

[FRL-6523-7]

Amendments to the Test Procedures for Heavy-Duty Engines, and Light-Duty Vehicles and Trucks and Amendments to the Emission Standard Provisions for Gaseous Fueled Vehicles and Engines

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On September 5, 1997 EPA promulgated a direct final rulemaking that amended several sections of the heavy-duty engine test procedure regulations. EPA also published a notice of proposed rulemaking proposing the same amendments. EPA noted that if adverse comments were received regarding any provisions, EPA would withdraw those provisions and comments would be addressed in a later final rule based on the proposed rule. Due to adverse comments that were received regarding three provisions, EPA issued a final rule on May 4, 1998 withdrawing those three provisions and indicated that they would be addressed in a separate action. Today, EPA is finalizing those three provisions with amendments, after taking into consideration comments received during the comment period and further discussions with heavy-duty engine and light-duty vehicle manufacturers.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Materials relevant to this rulemaking are contained in Docket No. A-96-07, and are available for public inspection and photocopying between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday. EPA may charge a reasonable fee for copying docket materials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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I. Regulatory Revisions

On September 5, 1997, EPA published a direct final rule (62 FR 47114) and accompanying notice of proposed rule (62 FR 46937) making amendments to the test procedures for heavy-duty engines and light duty vehicles and trucks. Although EPA believed that the action was non-controversial, adverse comments were received from the Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA) and from the American Automobile Manufacturers Association (AAMA). As a result of receiving the adverse comments, EPA published a final rule (63 FR 24446) on May 4, 1998 that withdrew the three provisions on which adverse comments were received. After taking into consideration EMA and AAMA's comments and also discussing the issues and options, today's action addresses the three provisions. The paragraphs below describe the comments received for each issue, followed by EPA's response.

a. Cycle Verification at Idle Conditions

Both of the comments received by EPA referred to changes made to § 86.1333-90. In § 86.1333-90 EPA provided a new requirement for cycle verification at idle conditions. The new requirement stated that for idle

segments that are seven seconds or longer, the average feedback torque must fall within ± 10 ft-lb of the Curb Idle Transmission Torque (CITT). Both EMA and AAMA commented that current dynamometer systems utilized might not be capable of controlling torque to this specification and thus the time period might have to be lengthened or modifications made to dynamometer control systems. Both EMA and AAMA recommended to change the idle segment specification from seven to ten seconds. According to EMA and AAMA, such change would not impact emissions and would allow manufacturers to comply with the CITT requirements without having to make extensive modifications to engine dynamometers control systems.

EPA agrees that making modifications to engine dynamometer systems to meet the proposed CITT requirements would be not only burdensome but also very costly. Furthermore, EPA agrees that increasing the idle segment length specification from seven to ten seconds will not impact emissions. Thus, EPA agrees with EMA and AAMA's recommendation and the final rule will apply the CITT requirement to segments of ten seconds or longer.

b. Critical Flow Venturi

In the September 5, 1997 final rule (62 FR 47114) EPA revised sections 86.119-90, 86.1319-84 and 86.1319-90 to require manufacturers to verify that the critical flow venturi is achieving critical flow when using a CFV-CVS sampling system during the emissions test. Both EMA and AAMA commented that, even though they agree with the technical merits of such requirement, more lead time would be needed to make the software and hardware changes necessary. Thus EMA and AAMA recommended that, in order to provide sufficient time for the implementation of this new requirement, that EPA provides an 18 month lead time.

EPA recognizes that this new requirement will require software changes to current testing facilities and that more lead time would be needed to ensure that all the manufacturer's testing facilities comply at the same