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List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 177

Food additives, Food packaging.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and redelegated to the Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition part 177 is amended as follows:

PART 177—INDIRECT FOOD ADDITIVES: POLYMERS

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 177 continues to read as follows:

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

2. Section 177.2500 is added to subpart C to read as follows:

§ 177.2500 Polyphenylene sulfone resins.

The polyphenylene sulfone resins (CAS Reg. No. 31833-61-1) identified in paragraph (a) of this section may be safely used as articles or components of articles intended for repeated use in contact with food, subject to the provisions of this section.

(a) *Identity.* For the purpose of this section, polyphenylene sulfone resins consist of basic resin produced by reacting polyphenylene sulfide with peracetic acid such that the finished resins meet the specifications set forth in paragraph (c) of this section. The polyphenylene sulfide used to manufacture polyphenylene sulfone is prepared by the reaction of sodium sulfide and *p*-dichlorobenzene, and has a minimum weight average molecular weight of 5,000 Daltons.

(b) *Optional adjuvant substances.* The basic polyphenylene sulfone resins identified in paragraph (a) of this section may contain optional adjuvant substances required in the production of such basic resins. These optional adjuvant substances may include substances permitted for such use by regulations in parts 170 through 189 of this chapter, substances generally recognized as safe in food, or substances used in accordance with a prior sanction or approval.

(c) *Specifications.* The glass transition temperature of the polymer is 360±5 °C as determined by the use of differential scanning calorimetry.

Dated: February 29, 2000.

L. Robert Lake,

Director, Office of Regulations Policy, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

27 CFR Part 275

[T.D. ATF-420a]

RIN 1512-AB88

Increase in Tax on Tobacco Products and Cigarette Papers and Tubes [99R-88P]

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Treasury.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the revision of a section of regulations that was erroneously changed in a final rule published in the **Federal Register** of December 22, 1999, regarding the increase in tax on tobacco products and cigarette papers and tubes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) published a document in the **Federal Register** of December 22, 1999 (64 FR 71937). ATF erroneously revised § 275.117(b) and (c). This document corrects this error.

In rule FR Doc. 99-32605 published on December 22, 1999, on page 71944, in the second column, the instruction in paragraph 34 is removed.

Dated: March 15, 2000.

Bradley A. Buckles,

Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

27 CFR Part 275

[T.D. ATF-422a]

RIN 1512-AC07

Implementation of Public Law 105-33, Section 9302, Requiring the Qualification of Tobacco Product Importers (98R-316P) and Miscellaneous Technical Amendments

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Treasury.

ACTION: Temporary rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the authority citation and removes three changes of a temporary rule published in the **Federal Register** of December 22, 1999, regarding qualification of tobacco product importers and miscellaneous technical amendments contained in part 275, title 27 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

DATES: This rule is effective March 21, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) published a document in the **Federal Register** of December 22, 1999 (64 FR 71947). The authority citation for 27 CFR part 275 was incorrect in this document. Also, we erroneously removed and reserved §§ 275.39 and 275.117 and erroneously revised paragraph (a) of § 275.81. This document corrects these errors.

In rule FR Doc. 99-32600 published on December 22, 1999, make the following corrections:

On page 71948, in the second column, revise the authority citation for Part 275 to read as follows:

Authority: 18 U.S.C. 2342; 26 U.S.C. 5701, 5703, 5704, 5705, 5708, 5712, 5713, 5721, 5722, 5723, 5741, 5754, 5761, 5762, 5763, 6301, 6302, 6313, 6404, 7101, 7212, 7342, 7606, 7652, 7805; 31 U.S.C. 9301, 9303, 9304, 9306.

On page 71948, in the third column, instruction paragraph 5 is removed.

On page 71949, in the first column, the instruction in paragraph 10 is corrected to read as follows: