

Meeting notices, copies of the Horse Protection Act, HPA regulations, the HPA Operating Plan for 2004–2006, and other relevant documents are available on the Animal Care Web site at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ac/hpinfo.html>.

Please note that this meeting is being held to provide for the exchange of information on the enforcement of the Horse Protection Act and is not an opportunity to submit formal comments on proposed rules or other regulatory initiatives. Written comments will be accepted and should be mailed to: USDA, APHIS, Animal Care, 4700 River Road Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737.

Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of January 2006.

Paul R. Eggert,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 05–092–1]

Draft Guidelines on Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Management of Adverse Event Reports (VICH Topic GL24) and Data Elements for Submission of Adverse Event Reports (VICH Topic GL42)

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The International Cooperation on Harmonization of Technical Requirements for the Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH) has developed two draft guidelines titled “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Management of Adverse Event Reports” and “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Data Elements for Submission of Adverse Event Reports.” These draft guidelines describe, respectively, standardized terminology for the identification of possible adverse events following the use of veterinary medicinal products, and the specific data elements to be used for the submission and exchange of spontaneous adverse event reports between marketing authorization holders (licensees/permittees) and regulatory authorities. Because the draft guidelines apply to pharmacovigilance and adverse event reporting on veterinary vaccines regulated by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection

Service under the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act, we are requesting comments on the scope of each guideline and its provisions so that we may include any relevant public input on the drafts in the Agency’s comments to the VICH Steering Committee.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before March 20, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and, in the “Search for Open Regulations” box, select “Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service” from the agency drop-down menu, then click on “Submit.” In the Docket ID column, select APHIS–2005–0121 to submit or view public comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically. After the close of the comment period, the docket can be viewed using the “Advanced Search” function in *Regulations.gov*.

- Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Please send four copies of your comment (an original and three copies) to Docket No. 05–092–1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. 05–092–1.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov>. You may request copies of the draft guidelines “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Management of Adverse Event Reports” and “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Data Elements for Submission of Adverse Event Reports” from the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Albert P. Morgan, Center for Veterinary Biologics—Policy Evaluation and Licensing, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 148, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231; (301) 734–8245.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The International Cooperation on

Harmonization of Technical Requirements for the Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH) is a unique project conducted under the auspices of the World Organization for Animal Health that brings together the regulatory authorities of the European Union, Japan, and the United States and representatives from the animal health industry in the three regions. The purpose of VICH is to harmonize technical requirements for veterinary products (both drugs and biologics). Regulatory authorities and industry experts from Australia and New Zealand participate in an observer capacity. The World Federation of the Animal Health Industry (COMISA, the Confederation Mondiale de L’Industrie de la Sante Animale) provides the secretarial and administrative support for VICH activities.

The United States Government is represented in VICH by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). The FDA provides expertise on veterinary drugs, while APHIS fills a corresponding role for veterinary biological products. As VICH members, APHIS and FDA participate in efforts to enhance harmonization and have expressed their commitment to seeking scientifically based, harmonized technical requirements for the development of veterinary drugs and biological products. One of the goals of harmonization is to identify and reduce the differences in technical requirements for veterinary drugs and biologics among regulatory agencies in different countries.

Two draft guidelines have been made available by the VICH Steering Committee for comments by interested parties. The first draft guideline, “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Management of Adverse Event Reports” (VICH Topic GL24), is intended to standardize terminology for the identification of possible adverse events following the use of marketed veterinary medicinal products. Because the draft guideline applies to some veterinary biological products regulated by APHIS under the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act—particularly with regard to terminology used for adverse event reporting—we are requesting comments on its provisions so that we may include any relevant public input on the draft in the Agency’s comments to the VICH Steering Committee.

The second draft guideline, “Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Data Elements for Submission of Adverse Event Reports” (VICH Topic GL42), describes the

specific data elements to be used for the submission and exchange of spontaneous adverse event reports between marketing authorization holders (licensees/permittees) and regulatory authorities. Again, because the draft guideline applies to some veterinary biological products regulated by APHIS under the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act—particularly with regard to the data elements that are required to be included in the Adverse Event Report—we are requesting comments on its provisions so that we may include any relevant public input on the draft in the Agency's comments to the VICH Steering Committee.

The two draft guidelines reflect, respectively, current APHIS thinking on terminology used for the identification of adverse events, and data elements to be used for the submission and exchange of spontaneous Adverse Event Reports between marketing authorization holders (licensees/permittees) and regulatory authorities concerning the clinical effects of marketed veterinary medicinal products. In accordance with the VICH process, once a final draft of each document has been approved, the guideline will be recommended for adoption by the regulatory bodies of the European Union, Japan, and the United States. As with all VICH documents, each final guideline will not create or confer any rights for or on any person and will not operate to bind APHIS or the public. Further, the VICH guidelines specifically provide for the use of alternative approaches if those approaches satisfy applicable regulatory requirements.

Ultimately, APHIS intends to consider the VICH Steering Committee's final guidelines for use by U.S. veterinary biologics licensees, permittees, and applicants. In addition, we may consider the use of each final guideline as the basis for proposed amendments to the regulations in 9 CFR chapter I, subchapter E (Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous Products; Organisms and Vectors). Because we anticipate that applicable provisions of the final versions of "Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Management of Adverse Event Reports" and "Pharmacovigilance of Veterinary Medicinal Products: Data Elements for Submission of Adverse Event Reports" may be introduced into APHIS' veterinary biologics regulatory program in the future, we encourage your comments on the draft guidelines.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 151 *et seq.*

Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of January 2006.

Paul R. Eggert,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting to review 2005 projects, discuss public outreach methods, and hold a short public forum (question and answer session). The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393). The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 24, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ravalli County Administration Building, 215 S. 4th Street, Hamilton, Montana. Send written comments to Daniel Ritter, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by facsimile (406) 777-7423, or electronically to dritter@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Ritter, Stevensville District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, Phone: (406) 777-5461.

Dated: January 10, 2006.

David T. Bull,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Dockets 62-2005 and 63-2005

Foreign-Trade Zone 61 -- San Juan, Puerto Rico, Expansion of Facilities -- Subzones 61D and 61E, Correction

The **Federal Register** notice (70 FR 74290, 12/15/05) describing the request submitted by the Puerto Rico Trade & Export Company, grantee of FTZ 61, requesting authority to expand the subzones at the Merck, Sharpe & Dohme

Quimica De Puerto Rico, Inc. (MSDQ), facilities in Arecibo (Subzone 61D, Docket 62-2005) and Barceloneta (Subzone 61E, Docket 63-2005) areas, is corrected as follows:

Paragraph 8 should read "A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available during this time for public inspection at the address Number 1 listed above, and at the offices of the Puerto Rico Trade & Export Company, International Trade Center, San Juan Foreign-Trade Zone No. 61 Administration Building, State Rd. No. 165, km. 2.0, Pueblo Viejo Sector, Barrio Amelia, Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, 00965."

Dated: January 10, 2006.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Changed Circumstances Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod From Ukraine: Opportunity To Comment on the Status of Ukraine as a Non-Market Economy Country and Extension of Final Results

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: January 12, 2006.

ACTION: Request for Comments and Extension of Final Results.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is requesting further comment on whether Ukraine should continue to be treated as a non-market economy country for purposes of the antidumping duty law. The final results for this changed circumstance review are therefore extended by thirty days, making the new deadline February 16, 2006. Written comments (original and six copies) should be sent to David Spooner, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Central Records Unit, Room 1870, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lawrence Norton or Shauna Lee-Alaia, Office of Policy, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC, 20230; telephone: 202-482-1579 or 202-482-2793, respectively.