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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability:

Internet

Electronic copies of this document and the PR Notice are available from the EPA Home Page at the Federal Register - Environmental Documents entry for this document under ''Laws and Regulations'' (http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/).

Fax on Demand

Using a faxphone call 202–401–0527 and select item (6107) for a copy of the PR Notice.

I. Purpose

The purpose of the PR Notice is to announce that liquid chemical sterilant products intended for use on critical or semi-critical medical devices are no longer regulated as ''pesticides'' by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), but as ''medical devices'' under the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). For the affected liquid chemical sterilants, EPA will no longer follow the procedures described in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between EPA and FDA signed on June 4, 1993 and amended on June 20, 1994. The goal of this notice is to clarify the authorities of FDA and EPA as they apply to liquid chemical sterilants, thereby increasing the efficiency of regulatory processes affecting these products.

II. Applicability

The PR Notice applies to all manufacturers, formulators, producers, and registrants of liquid chemical sterilant products intended for use on critical or semi-critical medical devices, and to products with subordinate disinfectant claims, such as tuberculocidal or virucidal claims, which support a high level disinfectant use pattern for critical or semi-critical devices.

III. Contents of the PR Notice

This notice informs registrants of liquid chemical sterilant products how to ensure that their products remain in compliance with FIFRA requirements where FIFRA still applies, and how products no longer regulated under FIFRA will be treated by EPA. In particular, the affected products will no longer be permitted to bear both FDA- and EPA-regulated claims. This notice supersedes all provisions of PR Notice 94–4 with respect to liquid chemical sterilants, but retains the provisions of PR Notice 94–4 that apply solely to general purpose disinfectants.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Antimicrobials, Liquid chemical sterilants.

Dated: January 15, 1998.

Frank Sanders,

Director, Antimicrobials Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2249]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceedings

January 20, 1998.

Petitions for reconsideration and clarification have been filed in the Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of these documents are available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc. (202) 857–3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed by February 10, 1998. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rule (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed by February 20, 1998.

Subject: Amendment of the Commission's Rules to Establish Competitive Service Safeguards for Local Exchange Carrier Provision of Commercial Mobile Radio Service. Implementation of Section 601(d) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (WT Docket No.96–162)

Number of Petitions Filed: 3.

Subject: Rules and Policies on Foreign Participation in the U. S. Telecommunications Market (IB Docket No. 97–142). Market Entry and Regulation of Foreign-Affiliated Entities (IB Docket No. 95–22)

Number of Petitions Filed: 7.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of information collection to be submitted to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

SUMMARY: In accordance with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the FDIC hereby gives notice that it plans to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for OMB review and approval of the information collection system described below.

Type of Review: New collection.

Title: Occasional Qualitative Surveys.

OMB Number: New collection, number not yet assigned.

Annual Burden:

Estimated annual number of respondents: 5,000.

Estimated time per response: 1 hour.

Average annual burden hours: 5,000 hours.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503.

FDIC Contact: Tamara R. Manly, (202) 898–7453, Office of the Executive Secretary, Room F–4022, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20429.

Comments: Comments on this collection of information are welcome and should be submitted on or before [insert date 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register] to both the OMB reviewer and the FDIC contact listed above.

ADDRESSES: Information about this submission, including copies of the proposed collection of information, may be obtained by calling or writing the FDIC contact listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The collection involves the occasional use of qualitative surveys to gather anecdotal information about regulatory burden, problems or successes in the bank supervisory process (including both safety-and-soundness and consumer-related exams), and similar concerns.

Dated: January 20, 1998.