

a Generally Recognized as Safe Determination" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of February 3, 2003 (68 FR 5294), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910-0342. The approval expires on April 30, 2006. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets>.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Application for Exemption From Federal Preemption of State and Local Medical Device Requirements

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that the proposed collection of information listed below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Fax written comments on the information collection provisions by May 19, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be electronically mailed to sshapiro@omb.eop.gov or faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Stuart Shapiro, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202-395-6974.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Application for Exemption From Federal Preemption of State and Local Medical Device Requirements—21 CFR Part 808 (OMB Control Number 0910-0129)—Extension

Section 521(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 360k(a)) provides that no State or local government may establish, or continue in effect, any requirement with respect to a medical device that is different from, or in addition to, any Federal requirement applicable to the

device under the act. Under section 521(b) of the act, following receipt of a written application from the State or local government involved, FDA may exempt from preemption a requirement that is more stringent than the Federal requirement, or that is necessitated by compelling local conditions and compliance with the requirement would not cause the device to be in violation of any portion of any requirement under the act. Exemptions are granted by regulation issued after notice and opportunity for an oral hearing.

The regulations in 21 CFR 808.20 require a State or local government that is seeking an exemption from preemption to submit an application to FDA. The application must include a copy of the State or local requirement, as well as information about its interpretation and application, and a statement as to why the applicant believes that the requirement qualifies for exemption from preemption under the act. FDA will use the information in the application to determine whether the requirement meets the criteria for exemption in the act and whether granting an exemption would be in the interest of the public health.

In addition, 21 CFR 808.25 provides that an interested person may request a hearing on an application by submitting a letter to FDA following the publication by FDA of a proposed response to the application.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

21 CFR Section	Numbers of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
808.20	3	1	3	100	300
808.25	3	1	3	10	30
Total					330

¹ There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

FDA based its estimates of the number of submissions expected in the future contained in table 1 of this document on the number of submissions submitted in the last 3 years and on the number of inquiries received

indicating that applications would be submitted in the next year. FDA based its estimates of the time required to prepare submissions on discussions with those who have prepared submissions in the last 3 years.

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