

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the filing notice for a food additive petition filed by Ajinomoto Co., Inc., to indicate that the petitioned additive, N-[N-[3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl) propyl- α -aspartyl]-L-phenylalanine 1-methyl ester, monohydrate (proposed additive name Advantame, CAS Reg. No. 714229-20-6), is for use as a non-nutritive sweetener and flavor enhancer in foods generally, except meat and poultry. The previous filing notice indicated that the proposed additive was for use as a non-nutritive sweetener

in tabletop applications and powdered beverage mixes.

DATES: Submit either electronic or written comments on the petitioner's environmental assessment by November 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Felicia M. Ellison, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-265), Food and Drug Administration, 5100 Paint Branch Pkwy., College Park, MD 20740-3835, 240-402-1264.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of July 21, 2009 (74 FR 35871), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 9A4778) had been filed by Ajinomoto Co., Inc., c/o Ajinomoto Corporate Services LLC, 1120 Connecticut Ave. NW., Suite 1010, Washington, DC 20036 (now c/o Ajinomoto North America, Inc., 400 Kelby St., Fort Lee, NJ 07024). In the notice of filing, FDA announced that the petitioner proposed that the food additive regulations in part 172 *Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption* (21 CFR part 172) be amended to provide for the safe use of N-[N-(3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl) propyl- α -aspartyl)-L-phenylalanine 1-methyl ester, monohydrate (CAS Reg. No. 714229-20-6) as a non-nutritive sweetener in tabletop applications and powdered beverage mixes. The petition was filed under section 409 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 348).

Subsequent to publication of the filing notice, Ajinomoto Co., Inc., amended its petition to provide for the safe use of N-[N-(3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl) propyl- α -aspartyl)-L-phenylalanine 1-methyl ester, monohydrate as a non-nutritive sweetener and flavor enhancer in foods generally, except meat and poultry. Therefore, FDA is amending the filing notice of July 21, 2009, to indicate that the petitioner has proposed that the food additive regulations in part 172 be amended to provide for the use of N-[N-(3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl) propyl- α -aspartyl)-L-phenylalanine 1-methyl ester, monohydrate (proposed additive name Advantame, CAS Reg. No. 714229-20-6), as a non-nutritive sweetener and flavor enhancer in foods generally, except meat and poultry.

The potential environmental impact of this petition is being reviewed. To encourage public participation

consistent with regulation issued under the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.4(b)), the Agency is placing the environmental assessment submitted with the petition that is the subject of this notice on public display at the Division of Dockets Management (see **DATES** and **ADDRESSES**) for public review and comment.

Interested persons may submit either written comments regarding this document to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) or electronic comments to <http://www.regulations.gov>. It is only necessary to send one set of comments. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will be posted to the docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>. FDA will also place on public display any amendments to, or comments on, the petitioner's environmental assessment without further announcement in the **Federal Register**. If, based on its review, the Agency finds that an environmental impact statement is not required, and this petition results in a regulation, the notice of availability of the Agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding will be published with the regulation in the **Federal Register** in accordance with 21 CFR 25.51(b).

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40 CFR Part 52

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Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Delaware County (Muncie), Indiana Ozone Maintenance Plan Revision To Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve Indiana's request to revise the Delaware County, Indiana 1997 8-hour ozone maintenance air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP) by replacing

the previously approved motor vehicle emissions budgets (budgets) with budgets developed using EPA's Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator (MOVES) 2010a emissions model. Indiana submitted this request to EPA for parallel processing with a letter dated June 15, 2012, and followed up with a final submittal after the State public comment period ended on July 18, 2012.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0537, by one of the following methods:

1. www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

2. *Email:* blakley.pamela@epa.gov.

3. *Fax:* (312) 692-2450.

4. *Mail:* Pamela Blakley, Chief, Control Strategies Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

5. *Hand Delivery:* Pamela Blakley, Chief, Control Strategies Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Regional Office official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0537. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through www.regulations.gov your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA