TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

21 CFR Section	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
310.305(c)(5)		1 1 15	1 5 10,245	1 1 5	1 5 286,860
Total					286,866

¹The reporting burden for §§310.305(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3), and 314.80(c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii)(c) was reported under OMB Control No. 0910–0291. There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

TABLE 2.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN¹

21 CFR Section	No. of Recordkeepers	Annual Frequency per Recordkeeping	Total Annual Records	Hours per Recordkeeper	Total Hours
310.305(f)	25 683	1 1	25 683	1 1	25 683
Total					708

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

Dated: February 12, 2002.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 81F-0387]

Abbott Laboratories; Withdrawal of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration,

HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of a food additive petition (FAP 2B3593), filed by Abbott Laboratories, proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of cyclohexylsulfamic acid as a catalyst in resinous and polymeric coatings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Julius Smith, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–215), Food and Drug Administration, 5100 Paint Branch Pkwy., College Park, MD 20740, 202– 418–3091.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the Federal Register of January 19, 1982 (47 FR 2791), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 2B3593) had been filed by Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago, IL 60064 (now 100 Abbott Park Rd., Abbott Park, IL 60064–6091). The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations

to provide for the safe use of cyclohexylsulfamic acid as a catalyst in resinous and polymeric coatings. Abbott Laboratories has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: January 29, 2002.

Leslye M. Fraser,

Acting Director of Regulations and Policy, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition. [FR Doc. 02–4381 Filed 2–22–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4160–01–S

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 98E-1221]

Determination of Regulatory Review Period for Purposes of Patent Extension; Celexa

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration,

HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has determined the regulatory review period for Celexa and is publishing this notice of that determination as required by law. FDA has made the determination because of the submission of an application to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce, for the extension of a patent that claims that human drug product.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments and petitions to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

Submit electronic comments to http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Claudia V. Grillo, Office of Regulatory Policy (HFD–007), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–594–5645.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-417) and the Generic Animal Drug and Patent Term Restoration Act (Public Law 100-670) generally provide that a patent may be extended for a period of up to 5 years so long as the patented item (human drug product, animal drug product, medical device, food additive, or color additive) was subject to regulatory review by FDA before the item was marketed. Under these acts, a product's regulatory review period forms the basis for determining the amount of extension an applicant may receive.

A regulatory review period consists of two periods of time: A testing phase and an approval phase. For human drug products, the testing phase begins when the exemption to permit the clinical investigations of the drug becomes effective and runs until the approval phase begins. The approval phase starts with the initial submission of an application to market the human drug product and continues until FDA grants permission to market the drug product. Although only a portion of a regulatory review period may count toward the actual amount of extension that the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks may award (for example, half the testing phase must be subtracted, as well as any time that may

have occurred before the patent was issued), FDA's determination of the length of a regulatory review period for a human drug product will include all of the testing phase and approval phase as specified in 35 U.S.C. 156(g)(1)(B).

FDA recently approved for marketing the human drug product Celexa (citalopram hydrobromide). Celexa is indicated for the treatment of depression. Subsequent to this approval, the Patent and Trademark Office received a patent term restoration application for Celexa (U.S. Patent No. 4,650,884) from H. Lundbeck A/S, and the Patent and Trademark Office requested FDA's assistance in determining this patent's eligibility for patent term restoration. In a letter dated December 19, 2000, FDA advised the Patent and Trademark Office that this human drug product had undergone a regulatory review period and that the approval of Celexa represented the first permitted commercial marketing or use of the product. Shortly thereafter, the Patent and Trademark Office requested that FDA determine the product's regulatory review period.

FDA has determined that the applicable regulatory review period for Celexa is 5,498 days. Of this time, 5,061 days occurred during the testing phase of the regulatory review period, while 437 days occurred during the approval phase. These periods of time were derived from the following dates:

- 1. The date an exemption under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 355(i)) became effective: July 30, 1983. The applicant claims August 4, 1983, as the date the investigational new drug application (IND) became effective. However, FDA records indicate that the IND effective date was July 30, 1983, which was 30 days after FDA receipt of the IND.
- 2. The date the application was initially submitted with respect to the human drug product under section 505(b) of the act: May 7, 1997. FDA has verified the applicant's claim that the new drug application (NDA) for Celexa (NDA 20–822) was initially submitted on May 7, 1997.
- 3. The date the application was approved: July 17, 1998. FDA has verified the applicant's claim that NDA 20–822 was approved on July 17, 1998.

This determination of the regulatory review period establishes the maximum potential length of a patent extension. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office applies several statutory limitations in its calculations of the actual period for patent extension. In its application for patent extension,

this applicant seeks 1,826 days of patent term extension.

Anyone with knowledge that any of the dates as published is incorrect may submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written or electronic comments and ask for a redetermination by April 26, 2002. Furthermore, any interested person may petition FDA for a determination regarding whether the applicant for extension acted with due diligence during the regulatory review period by August 26, 2002. To meet its burden, the petition must contain sufficient facts to merit an FDA investigation. (See H. Rept. 857, part 1, 98th Cong., 2d sess., pp. 41–42, 1984.) Petitions should be in the format specified in 21 CFR 10.30.

Comments and petitions should be submitted to the Dockets Management Branch. Three copies of any information are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Comments and petitions may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: January 24, 2002.

Jane A. Axelrad,

Associate Director for Policy, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration [Docket No. 01E-0099]

Determination of Regulatory Review Period for Purposes of Patent Extension; Menicon Z Rigid Gas Permeable Contact Lens

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug
Administration (FDA) has determined
the regulatory review period for
Menicon Z Rigid Gas Permeable Contact
Lens and is publishing this notice of
that determination as required by law.
FDA has made the determination
because of the submission of an
application to the Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks, Department of
Commerce, for the extension of a patent
which claims that medical device.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments and petitions to the Dockets

Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Submit electronic comments to http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments.

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A regulatory review period consists of two periods of time: A testing phase and an approval phase. For medical devices, the testing phase begins with a clinical investigation of the device and runs until the approval phase begins. The approval phase starts with the initial submission of an application to market the device and continues until permission to market the device is granted. Although only a portion of a regulatory review period may count toward the actual amount of extension that the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks may award (half the testing phase must be subtracted as well as any time that may have occurred before the patent was issued), FDA's determination of the length of a regulatory review period for a medical device will include all of the testing phase and approval phase as specified in 35 U.S.C. 156(g)(3)(B).

FDA recently approved for marketing the medical device Menicon Z Rigid Gas Permeable Contact Lens. This product is indicated for extended wear (from 1 to 7 days between removals for cleaning and disinfection of the lenses, as recommended by the eyecare practitioner) for the correction of refractive error (myopia, hyperopia, presbyopia and/or astigmatism) in nonaphakic persons with non-diseased eyes. Subsequent to this approval, the Patent and Trademark Office received a patent term restoration application for Menicon Z Rigid Gas Permeable Contact Lens (U.S. Patent No. 4,594,401) from Menicon Co., and the Patent and Trademark Office requested FDA's