

or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the

use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Food Additives and Food Additive Petitions—21 CFR 171.1 and Parts 172, 173, 175 through 178, and 180—(OMB Control Number 0910-0016)—Extension

Section 409(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 348(a)) provides that any particular use or intended use of a food additive shall be deemed to be unsafe, unless the additive and its use or intended use are in conformity with a regulation issued under Section 409 of the act that describes the condition(s) under which the additive may be safely used, or unless the additive and its use or intended use conform to the terms of an exemption for investigational use, or unless a food contact notification submitted under paragraph (h) is effective. Food additive petitions are submitted by individuals or companies to obtain approval of a new food additive or to amend the conditions of use permitted under an existing food additive regulation. Section 171.1 (21 CFR 171.1) specifies the information that a petitioner must submit in order to

establish that the proposed use of a food additive is safe and to secure the publication of a food additive regulation describing the conditions under which the additive may be safely used. Parts 172, 173, 175 through 178, and 180 (21 CFR parts 172, 173, 175 through 178, and 180) contain labeling requirements for certain food additives to ensure their safe use.

FDA scientific personnel review food additive petitions to ensure the safety of the intended use of the food additive in or on food, or of a food additive that may be present in food as a result of its use in articles that contact food. FDA requires food additive petitions to contain the information specified in § 171.1 in order to determine whether a petitioned use for a food additive is safe, as required by the act. This regulation (§ 171.1) implements section 409(b)(2) of the act.

Respondents are businesses engaged in the manufacture or sale of food, food ingredients, or substances used in materials that come into contact with food.

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

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

21 CFR Section/Part	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
171.1	13	1	13	5,332	69,316
Part 172	13	1	13	0	0
Part 173	13	1	13	0	0
Parts 175 through 178	13	1	13	0	0
Part 180	13	1	13	0	0
Total					69,316

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

This estimate is based on the number of new food additive petitions received in fiscal year 1999 and the total hours expended by petitioners to prepare the petitions. A reduction was estimated based on expected eligibility of some substances previously submitted as food additive petitions for submission as food contact notices under new section 409(h) of the act. The burden varies with the complexity of the petition submitted, because food additive petitions involve the analysis of scientific data and information, as well as the work of assembling the petition itself. Because labeling requirements under parts 172, 173, 175 through 178, and 180 for particular food additives involve information required as part of the food petition safety review process under § 171.1, the estimate for the number of respondents is the same and

the burden hours for labeling are included in the estimate for § 171.1.

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William K. Hubbard,
Senior Associate Commissioner for Policy,
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99N-5325]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Schlosburg, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of March 22, 2000 (65 FR 15343), 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 0910-0186. The approval expires on April 30, 2003. 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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William K. Hubbard,

Senior Associate Commissioner for Policy, Planning, and Legislation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Science Advisory Board to the National Center for Toxicological Research Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). At least one portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Name of Committee: Science Advisory Board (the Board) to the National Center for Toxicological Research (NCTR).

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on June 5, 2000, 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and June 6, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: NCTR, Bldg. #12, Conference Center, Jefferson, AR.

Contact Person: Ronald F. Coene, NCTR (HFT-10), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-6696, or

FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12559. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The Board will be presented with draft reports on evaluations of NCTR's research programs in Endocrine Disrupter Knowledge Base, and Microbiology, for their review, discussion, and approval. The draft reports are the products of two site visit teams who conducted on site reviews over the last year. The staff from these programs will provide a preliminary response to the issues raised and recommendations made. Three progress reports will be presented to the Board on the recommendations it made at its last meeting, as a result of earlier site visits, on NCTR's programs in BioChem Toxicology, Genetic Toxicology and Molecular Epidemiology. The NCTR Acting Director will also provide a Center update and a discussion of future research directions.

Procedure: On June 5, 2000, from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and June 6, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, the meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by May 23, 2000. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 11 a.m. and 12 noon on June 6, 2000. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before May 23, 2000, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Closed Committee Deliberations: On June 6, 2000, from 12 noon to 1 p.m., the meeting will be closed to permit discussion where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (5 U.S.C.

552b(c)(6)). This portion of the meeting will be closed to permit discussion of information concerning individuals associated with the research programs at NCTR.

The Commissioner of Food and Drugs approves the scheduling of meetings at locations outside the Washington, DC area on the basis of the criteria of 21 CFR 14.22 of FDA's regulations relating to public advisory committees.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: May 5, 2000.

Linda A. Suydam,

Senior Associate Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Funding Opportunities

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability.

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) announces the availability of FY 2000 funds for grants for the following activity. This activity is discussed in more detail under Section 3 of this notice. This notice is not a complete description of the activity; potential applicants *must* obtain a copy of the Program Announcement, including Part I, Programmatic Guidance for Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Targeted Areas of Need, and Part II, General Policies and Procedures Applicable to all SAMHSA Applications for Discretionary Grants and Cooperative Agreements, before preparing an application.

Activity	Application deadline	Est. funds	FY 2000	Est. No. of awards
Cooperative Agreement for a National Center for Mentally Ill and Substance Abusing Youth and Adults Involved with the Justice System.	July 21, 2000	Up to \$1,200,000	1	Up to 3 years.

The actual amount available for awards and their allocation may vary, depending on unanticipated program requirements and the number and quality of applications received. FY

2000 funds for the activity discussed in this announcement were appropriated by the Congress under Public Law No. 106-113. SAMHSA's policies and procedures for peer review and

Advisory Council review of grant and cooperative agreement applications were published in the **Federal Register** (Vol. 58, No. 126) on July 2, 1993.