part 404 of chapter III of title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations as set forth below:

PART 404—FEDERAL OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS AND DISABILITY INSURANCE (1950–)

Subpart P—Determining Disability and Blindness

■ 1. The authority citation for subpart P of part 404 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 402, 405(a)–(b) and (d)–(h), 416(i), 421(a) and (h)–(j), 422(c), 423, 425, and 902(a)(5)); sec. 211(b), Pub. L. 104–193, 110 Stat. 2105, 2189; sec. 202, Pub. L. 108–203, 118 Stat. 509 (42 U.S.C. 902 note).

■ 2. In appendix 1 to subpart P of part 404:

■ a. In part A, amend section 1.00C7 by revising paragraphs a and c; and

■ b. In part B, amend section 101.00C7 by revising paragraphs a and c.

The revisions read as follows:

Appendix 1 to Subpart P of Part 404—Listing of Impairments

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Part A

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1.00 Musculoskeletal Disorders

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a. The term *pandemic period* as used in 1.00C7c means the period beginning on April 2, 2021, and ending on May 11, 2025. The term *post-pandemic evaluation period* as used in 1.00C7c means the period beginning on May 12, 2025, and ending on May 11, 2029.

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c. For 1.15, 1.16, 1.17, 1.18, 1.20C, 1.20D, 1.22, and 1.23, all of the required criteria must be present simultaneously, or within a close proximity of time, to satisfy the level of severity needed to meet the listing. The phrase ''within a close proximity of time'' means that all of the relevant criteria must appear in the medical record within a consecutive 4-month period, except for claims determined or decided during the pandemic period or post-pandemic evaluation period. For claims determined or decided during the pandemic period or post-pandemic evaluation period, all of the relevant criteria must appear in the medical record within a consecutive 12-month period. When the criterion is imaging, we mean that we could reasonably expect the findings on imaging to have been present at the date of impairment or date of onset. For listings that use the word ''and'' to link the elements of the required criteria, the medical record must establish the simultaneous presence, or presence within a close proximity of time, of all the required medical criteria. Once this level of severity is established, the medical record must also show that this level of severity has continued, or is expected to continue, for a continuous period of at least 12 months.

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Part B

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101.00 Musculoskeletal Disorders.

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a. The term *pandemic period* as used in 101.00C7c means the period beginning on April 2, 2021, and ending on May 11, 2025. The term *post-pandemic evaluation period* as used in 101.00C7c means the period beginning on May 12, 2025, and ending on May 11, 2029.

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c. For 101.15, 101.16, 101.17, 101.18, 101.20C, 101.20D, 101.22, and 101.23, all of the required criteria must be present simultaneously, or within a close proximity of time, to satisfy the level of severity needed to meet the listing. The phrase ''within a close proximity of time'' means that all of the relevant criteria must appear in the medical record within a consecutive 4-month period, except for claims determined or decided during the pandemic period or post-pandemic evaluation period. For claims determined or decided during the pandemic period or post-pandemic evaluation period, all of the relevant criteria must appear in the medical record within a consecutive 12-month period. When the criterion is imaging, we mean that we could reasonably expect the findings on imaging to have been present at the date of impairment or date of onset. For listings that use the word ''and'' to link the elements of the required criteria, the medical record must establish the simultaneous presence, or presence within a close proximity of time, of all the required medical criteria. Once this level of severity is established, the medical record must also show that this level of severity has continued, or is expected to continue, for a continuous period of at least 12 months.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 16

[Docket No. FDA–2024–N–3654]

RIN 0910–AI97

Regulatory Hearing Before the Food and Drug Administration; General Provisions; Amendments; Withdrawal

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Direct final rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) published in the **Federal Register** of September 20, 2024, a direct final rule amending the Scope section of our regulation that provides for a regulatory hearing before the Agency. The comment period closed December 4, 2024. FDA is withdrawing the direct final rule because the Agency received significant adverse comment.

DATES: The direct final rule published at September 20, 2024, 89 FR 77019, is withdrawn effective January 17, 2025.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, the direct final rule published on September 20, 2024, 89 FR 77019 is withdrawn.

Dated: January 13, 2025.

P. Ritu Nalubola,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 73

[Docket No. FDA–2022–C–0098]

Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Myoglobin

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final amendment; order.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is amending the color additive regulations to provide for the safe use of myoglobin as a color additive in ground meat and ground poultry analogue products. We are taking this action in response to a color additive petition (CAP) submitted by Motif FoodWorks, Inc. (Motif FoodWorks or petitioner).

DATES: This order is effective February 19, 2025. See section X for further information on the filing of objections. Either electronic or written objections and requests for a hearing on the order must be submitted by February 18, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit objections and requests for a hearing as follows.