

adequate time for interested persons to submit comments without significantly delaying the Agency's consideration of these important issues.

### III. How To Submit Comments

Interested persons may submit either electronic comments regarding this document to <http://www.regulations.gov> or written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**). 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>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2011-D-0125]

#### Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff; Establishing That a Tobacco Product Was Commercially Marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007; Availability

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of the guidance entitled "Establishing That a Tobacco Product Was Commercially Marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007." This guidance provides information on how a manufacturer may establish that a tobacco product was commercially marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007. The guidance includes a description of the types of evidence recommended to demonstrate that a tobacco product was commercially marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007.

**DATES:** Submit either electronic or written comments on Agency guidances at any time.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written requests for single copies of the guidance document entitled "Establishing That a Tobacco Product Was Commercially Marketed in the United States as of February 15,

2007" to the Center for Tobacco Products, Food and Drug Administration, Document Control Center, Bldg. 71, Rm. G335, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your request or include a fax number to which the guidance document may be sent. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for information on electronic access to the guidance document.

Submit electronic comments on the guidance 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. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Annette Marthaler, Center for Tobacco Products, Food and Drug Administration, Document Control Center, Bldg. 71, Rm. G335, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002, 1-877-287-1373, email: [CTPRegulations@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:CTPRegulations@fda.hhs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

FDA is announcing the availability of a guidance for industry entitled "Establishing That a Tobacco Product Was Commercially Marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007." In this guidance, FDA provides recommendations on how a manufacturer can demonstrate that a tobacco product was commercially marketed (other than exclusively in test markets) in the United States as of February 15, 2007. In the guidance document, FDA refers to tobacco products that were commercially marketed (other than exclusively in test markets) in the United States as of February 15, 2007, as grandfathered tobacco products. Grandfathered tobacco products are not considered new tobacco products and thus are not subject to the premarket requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) (section 910; 21 U.S.C. 387j). A grandfathered tobacco product may serve as the predicate tobacco product in a 905(j) report (demonstrating substantial equivalence) for a new tobacco product (section 905(j)(1)A(i) of the FD&C Act, 21 U.S.C. 387e(j)(1)(A)(i)). FDA recommends that information supporting a grandfather designation may include, among other things, dated copies of advertisements, dated catalog pages, and dated promotional material.

In the **Federal Register** of April 25, 2011 (76 FR 22903), FDA announced the availability of the draft guidance of the same title. After considering the comments on the draft guidance, FDA made minor editorial changes to improve clarity.

##### II. Significance of Guidance

This guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The guidance represents the Agency's current thinking on this topic. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statute and regulations.

##### III. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This guidance contains information collection provisions that are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The collection of information in this guidance was approved under OMB control number 0910-0775.

##### IV. Comments

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##### V. Electronic Access

An electronic version of the guidance document is available on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> and <http://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/default.htm>.

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