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Brent J. Fields,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 161

[Docket No. FDA-2015-N-0011]

Canned Pacific Salmon; Technical Amendment

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule; technical amendment.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is amending a regulation pertaining to canned Pacific salmon. The amendment removes a paragraph that contains an obsolete cross-reference.

DATES: This rule is effective July 15, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Loretta Carey, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-820), Food and Drug Administration, 5100 Paint Branch Pkwy., College Park, MD 20740-3835, 240-402-2371.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Our regulations at 21 CFR part 161 (“Fish and Shellfish”) establish requirements for specific standardized fish and shellfish. One provision, at § 161.170, pertains to canned Pacific salmon, and § 161.170(a)(5)(ii)(b) states that when the form of the pack and the words describing the pack are declared on the label, the label must “bear the statements required by § 105.69 of this chapter.” (The regulation, at § 161.170(a)(3), describes various “forms of pack;” one form of pack, for example, is named “regular” and is described as where the sections or steaks are cut transversely from the fish and filled vertically into the can.)

Section 105.69 was entitled “Foods used to regulate sodium intake.” In the *Federal Register* of June 3, 1996 (61 FR 27771), we revoked § 105.69 as part of a “Reinventing Government” initiative, and the revocation became effective on July 3, 1996 (see 61 FR 43963; August 27, 1996) (confirming the effective date for the revocation of various food regulations)). However, the revocation inadvertently omitted a corresponding change to § 161.170(a)(5)(ii)(b).

Consequently, through this document, we are amending § 161.170 by removing paragraph (a)(5)(ii)(b) entirely and redesignating paragraph (a)(5)(ii)(a) as paragraph (a)(5)(ii).

Publication of this document constitutes final action of these changes under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553). These amendments eliminate an obsolete reference to a rule that we revoked in 1996. FDA, therefore, for good cause, finds under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(B) and (d)(3) that notice and public comment are unnecessary.

FDA has determined, under 21 CFR 25.30(i), that this final rule is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

In addition, FDA has determined that this final rule contains no new collections of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 is not required.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 161

Food grades and standards, Frozen foods, Seafood.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 21 CFR part 161 is amended as follows:

PART 161—FISH AND SHELLFISH

■ 1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 161 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 343, 348, 371, 379e.

§ 161.170 [Amended]

■ 2. Amend § 161.170 by removing paragraph (a)(5)(ii)(b) and redesignating paragraph (a)(5)(ii)(a) as paragraph (a)(5)(ii).

Dated: July 9, 2015.

Leslie Kux,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

29 CFR Part 4022

Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation’s regulation on Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans to prescribe interest assumptions under the regulation for valuation dates in August 2015. The interest assumptions are used for paying benefits under terminating single-employer plans covered by the pension insurance system administered by PBGC.

DATES: Effective August 1, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine B. Klion (*Klion.Catherine@pbgc.gov*), Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PBGC’s regulation on Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4022) prescribes actuarial assumptions—including interest assumptions—for paying plan benefits under terminating single-employer plans covered by title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The interest assumptions in the regulation are also published on PBGC’s Web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

PBGC uses the interest assumptions in Appendix B to Part 4022 to determine whether a benefit is payable as a lump sum and to determine the amount to pay. Appendix C to Part 4022 contains interest assumptions for private-sector pension practitioners to refer to if they wish to use lump-sum interest rates determined using PBGC’s historical methodology. Currently, the rates in Appendices B and C of the benefit payment regulation are the same.

The interest assumptions are intended to reflect current conditions in the financial and annuity markets. Assumptions under the benefit payments regulation are updated monthly. This final rule updates the benefit payments interest assumptions for August 2015.¹

The August 2015 interest assumptions under the benefit payments regulation will be 1.50 percent for the period during which a benefit is in pay status and 4.00 percent during any years preceding the benefit’s placement in pay

¹ Appendix B to PBGC’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044) prescribes interest assumptions for valuing benefits under terminating covered single-employer plans for purposes of allocation of assets under ERISA section 4044. Those assumptions are updated quarterly.