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Sincerely,

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Section 1116 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1316; 42 CFR 430.18) (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance program No. 13.714, Medicaid Assistance Program.)

Dated: February 11, 2019.

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Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2014-N-0801]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Exports; Notification and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the Agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Federal Agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on export notification and recordkeeping requirements for persons exporting human drugs, biological products, devices, animal drugs, food, cosmetics, and tobacco that may not be marketed or sold in the United States.

DATES: Submit either electronic or written comments on the collection of information by April 16, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. Electronic comments must be submitted on or before April 16, 2019. The <https://www.regulations.gov> electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of April 16, 2019. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier

(for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are postmarked or the delivery service acceptance receipt is on or before that date.

Electronic Submissions

Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to <https://www.regulations.gov> will be posted to the docket unchanged. Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else's Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be posted on <https://www.regulations.gov>.

- If you want to submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission and in the manner detailed (see "Written/Paper Submissions" and "Instructions").

Written/Paper Submissions

Submit written/paper submissions as follows:

- **Mail/Hand delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions):** Dockets Management Staff (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

- For written/paper comments submitted to the Dockets Management Staff, FDA will post your comment, as well as any attachments, except for information submitted, marked and identified, as confidential, if submitted as detailed in "Instructions."

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA-2014-N-0801 for "Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Exports; Notification and Recordkeeping Requirements." Received comments, those filed in a timely manner (see **ADDRESSES**), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as "Confidential Submissions," publicly viewable at <https://www.regulations.gov> or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

- **Confidential Submissions—**To submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made publicly available, submit your comments only as a written/paper submission. You should submit two copies total. One copy will include the information you claim to be confidential with a heading or cover note that states "THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION." The Agency will review this copy, including the claimed confidential information, in its consideration of comments. The second copy, which will have the claimed confidential information redacted/blacked out, will be available for public viewing and posted on <https://www.regulations.gov>. Submit both copies to the Dockets Management Staff. If you do not wish your name and contact information to be made publicly available, you can provide this information on the cover sheet and not in the body of your comments and you must identify this information as "confidential." Any information marked as "confidential" will not be disclosed except in accordance with 21 CFR 10.20 and other applicable disclosure law. For more information about FDA's posting of comments to public dockets, see 80 FR 56469, September 18, 2015, or access the information at: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-23389.pdf>.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or the electronic and written/paper comments received, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and insert the docket number, found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the "Search" box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ila S. Mizrahi, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A-12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 301-796-7726, PRASStaff@fda.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal Agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes Agency requests 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 these topics: (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.

Exports: Notification and Recordkeeping Requirements—21 CFR 1.101

OMB Control Number 0910-0482—Extension

Section 801 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the FD&C Act) (21 U.S.C. 381) charges the Secretary of Health and Human Services, through FDA, with the responsibility of helping to ensure that exports of unapproved new drugs, biologics, devices, animal drugs, food, cosmetics, and tobacco products which are not to be sold in the United States meet the requirements of the country to which the product is to be exported. The respondents to this information collection are exporters who have notified FDA of their intent to export unapproved products that may not be sold or offered for sale in domestic commerce in the United States as allowed under section 801(e) of the FD&C Act. In general, the notification identifies the product being exported (e.g. name, description, and in some cases, country of destination) and specifies where the notifications were sent. These notifications are sent only

for an initial export. Subsequent exports of the same product to the same destination or in the case of certain countries identified in section 802(b) of the FD&C Act (21 U.S.C. 382) would not result in a notification to FDA.

The recordkeepers for this information collection are exporters of products that may not be sold in the United States who are regulated by the following FDA Centers: Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) (human drugs); Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) (biologics); Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) (medical devices); Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) (animal drugs); Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) (foods and cosmetics); and Center for Tobacco Products (CTP) (tobacco products). Respondents to this collection of information maintain records demonstrating their compliance with the requirements in 21 CFR 1.101.

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

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN ¹

21 CFR Section	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total annual responses	Average burden per response	Total hours
1.101(d) (CBER)	5	92	460	15	6,900
1.101(d) (CDER)	5	180	900	15	13,500
1.101(d) (CDRH)	160	1	160	15	2,400
Total					22,800

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

TABLE 2—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN ¹

21 CFR Section	Number of recordkeepers	Number of records per recordkeeper	Total annual records	Average burden per recordkeeping	Total hours
1.101 (b), (c), (e) (CBER, CDER, CDRH, CFSAN, and CVM)	320	3	960	22	21,120
1.101(b) Office of International Programs only	1	189	189	22	4,158
1.101(b) (currently regulated Tobacco Products)	322	3	966	22	21,252
Total					46,530

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

We have adjusted our burden estimate, which has resulted in an overall decrease of 129,543 hours to the currently approved burden. The reporting burden estimate for CDRH has been adjusted to correct an error and corresponding miscalculation in the previous burden estimate and has been updated based on recent internal data. This adjustment contributed to the overall burden estimate reduction by

eliminating 8,030 responses and 120,450 hours from the reporting burden estimate. CBER's estimated reporting burden for the information collection in table 1 reflects a decrease of 7,575 hours and a corresponding decrease of total annual responses (193 to 92). We attribute this adjustment to a normal variation in the number of submissions we received over the last few years. CTP's current number of

respondents and recordkeeping burden hours in table 2 are expected to decrease by 23 respondents and 1,518 hours. This is based on summary derived from the monthly operational reports that manufacturers and importers of tobacco products are required to file with the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau.

Dated: February 11, 2019.

Lowell J. Schiller,

Acting Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2018-N-4000]

Framework for a Real-World Evidence Program; Availability; Reopening of the Comment Period

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability; reopening of the comment period.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or the Agency) is reopening the comment period for the document entitled “Framework for a Real-World Evidence Program; Availability” that appeared in the **Federal Register** on December 7, 2018. The Agency is taking this action to allow interested persons additional time to submit comments.

DATES: FDA is reopening the comment period on the document published December 7, 2018 (83 FR 63178). Submit either electronic or written comments on the document by April 16, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. Electronic comments must be submitted on or before April 16, 2019. The <https://www.regulations.gov> electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of April 16, 2019. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are postmarked or the delivery service acceptance receipt is on or before that date.

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Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA-2018-N-4000 for “Framework for a Real-World Evidence Program; Availability.” Received comments, those filed in a timely manner (see **ADDRESSES**), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as “Confidential Submissions,” publicly viewable at <https://www.regulations.gov> or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dianne Paraoan, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 51, Rm. 3326, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002, 301-796-2500, dianne.paraoan@fda.hhs.gov; or Stephen Ripley, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 71, Rm. 7301, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002, 240-402-7911, stephen.ripley@fda.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of December 7, 2018 (83 FR 63178), FDA published a notice of availability with a 60-day comment period to request comments on the framework entitled “Framework for a Real-World Evidence Program.” That document established a public docket to collect comments on this framework created by the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research for implementing a program to evaluate the potential use of real-world evidence in regulatory decision making. The document requested comments by February 5, 2019. Based on the public interest underlying the notice, FDA is reopening the comment period until April 16, 2019. The Agency believes that reopening the comment period for 60 days allows adequate time for interested persons to submit comments.

Dated: February 12, 2019.

Lowell J. Schiller,

Acting Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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