

because the product failed to contain adequate directions for use in its labeling. The product was refused entry on July 14, 2020.

On or about June 18, 2020, Mr. Mendoza offered for import a parcel that contained 300 tablets of CENFORCE-100, which was a misbranded drug because the product was determined to be a prescription drug product that failed to contain the “Rx-only” symbol on its label. The product was refused entry on July 15, 2020.

As a result of Mr. Mendoza’s pattern of importing or offering for import misbranded drugs (*i.e.*, in an amount, frequency, or dosage that is inconsistent with his personal or household use) that are not designated in an authorized electronic data interchange system as products regulated by FDA, in accordance with section 306(b)(3)(D) of the FD&C Act, FDA sent Mr. Mendoza, by certified mail on February 17, 2022, a notice proposing to debar him for a 5-year period from importing or offering for import any drug into the United States.

In proposing a debarment period, FDA weighed the considerations set forth in section 306(c)(3) of the FD&C Act that it considered applicable to Mr. Mendoza’s pattern of conduct and concluded that his conduct warranted the imposition of a 5-year period of debarment.

The proposal informed Mr. Mendoza of the proposed debarment and offered him an opportunity to request a hearing, providing 30 days from the date of receipt of the letter in which to file the request, and advised him that failure to request a hearing constituted a waiver of the opportunity for a hearing and of any contentions concerning this action. Mr. Mendoza received the proposal and notice of opportunity for a hearing on February 26, 2022. Mr. Mendoza failed to request a hearing within the timeframe prescribed by regulation and has, therefore, waived his opportunity for a hearing and waived any contentions concerning his debarment (21 CFR part 12).

## II. Findings and Order

Therefore, the Assistant Commissioner, Office of Human and Animal Food Operations, under section 306(b)(3)(D) of the FD&C Act, under authority delegated to the Assistant Commissioner, finds that Mr. David Elias Mendoza has engaged in a pattern of importing or offering for import misbranded drugs (*i.e.*, in an amount, frequency, or dosage that is inconsistent with his personal or household use) that are not designated in an authorized electronic data interchange system as

products regulated by FDA. FDA finds that this pattern of conduct should be accorded a debarment period of 5 years as provided by section 306(c)(2)(A)(iii) of the FD&C Act.

As a result of the foregoing finding, Mr. Mendoza is debarred for a period of 5 years from importing or offering for import any drug into the United States, effective (see **DATES**). Pursuant to section 301(cc) of the FD&C Act (21 U.S.C. 331(cc)), the importing or offering for import into the United States of any drug or controlled substance by, with the assistance of, or at the direction of Mr. Mendoza is a prohibited act.

Any application by Mr. Mendoza for termination of debarment under section 306(d)(1) of the FD&C Act should be identified with Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0526 and sent to the Dockets Management Staff (see **ADDRESSES**). The public availability of information in these submissions is governed by 21 CFR 10.20(j).

Publicly available submissions will be placed in the docket and will be viewable at <https://www.regulations.gov> or at the Dockets Management Staff (see **ADDRESSES**) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 240-402-7500.

Dated: November 9, 2022.

**Lauren K. Roth,**

*Associate Commissioner for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2019-N-2778]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; Threshold of Regulation for Substances Used in Food-Contact Articles

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or the Agency) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Submit written comments (including recommendations) on the collection of information by December 15, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** To ensure that comments on the information collection are received,

OMB recommends that written comments be submitted to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. The OMB control number for this information collection is 0910-0298. Also include the FDA docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amber Sanford, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A-12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 301-796-8867, [PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

#### Threshold of Regulation for Substances Used in Food-Contact Articles—21 CFR 170.39

*OMB Control Number 0910-0298—Extension*

Under section 409(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) (21 U.S.C. 348(a)), the use of a food additive is deemed unsafe unless one of the following is applicable: (1) it conforms to an exemption for investigational use under section 409(j) of the FD&C Act; (2) it conforms to the terms of a regulation prescribing its use; or (3) in the case of a food additive which meets the definition of a food-contact substance in section 409(h)(6) of the FD&C Act, there is either a regulation authorizing its use in accordance with section 409(a)(3)(A) of the FD&C Act or an effective notification in accordance with section 409(a)(3)(B) of the FD&C Act.

The regulations in § 170.39 (21 CFR 170.39) established a process that provides the manufacturer with an opportunity to demonstrate that the likelihood or extent of migration to food of a substance used in a food-contact article is so trivial that the use need not be the subject of a food additive listing regulation or an effective notification. The Agency has established two thresholds for the regulation of substances used in food-contact articles. The first exempts those substances used in food-contact articles where the resulting dietary concentration would be at or below 0.5 part per billion. The second exempts regulated direct food additives for use in food-contact articles where the resulting dietary exposure is

1 percent or less of the acceptable daily intake for these substances.

To determine whether the intended use of a substance in a food-contact article meets the threshold criteria, certain information specified in § 170.39(c) must be submitted to FDA. This information includes the following components: (1) the chemical composition of the substance for which the request is made; (2) detailed information on the conditions of use of the substance; (3) a clear statement of the basis for the request for exemption

from regulation as a food additive; (4) data that will enable FDA to estimate the daily dietary concentration resulting from the proposed use of the substance; (5) results of a literature search for toxicological data on the substance and its impurities; and (6) information on the environmental impact that would result from the proposed use. We use this information to determine whether the food-contact substance meets the threshold criteria.

*Description of Respondents:*  
Respondents to this information

collection are individual manufacturers and suppliers of substances used in food-contact articles (*i.e.*, food packaging and food processing equipment) or of the articles themselves.

In the **Federal Register** of April 7, 2022 (87 FR 20433), FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the proposed collection of information. No comments were received.

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

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN <sup>1</sup>

21 CFR 170.39	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total annual responses	Average burden per response	Total hours
Threshold of regulation for substances used in food-contact articles .....	7	1	7	48	336

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

The threshold of regulation process offers one advantage over the premarket notification process for food-contact substances established by section 409(h) of the FD&C Act (OMB control number 0910-0495) in that the use of a substance exempted by FDA is not limited to only the manufacturer or supplier who submitted the request for an exemption. Other manufacturers or suppliers may use exempted substances in food-contact articles as long as the conditions of use (*e.g.*, use levels, temperature, type of food contacted, etc.) are those for which the exemption was issued. As a result, the overall burden on both Agency and the regulated industry would be significantly less in that other manufacturers and suppliers would not have to prepare, and we would not have to review, similar submissions for identical components of food-contact articles used under identical conditions.

Manufacturers and other interested persons can easily access an up-to-date list of exempted substances which is on display at FDA's Dockets Management Staff and on the internet at <https://www.fda.gov/food/packaging-food-contact-substances-fcs/threshold-regulation-exemptions-substances-used-food-contact-articles>. Having the list of exempted substances publicly available decreases the likelihood that a company would submit a food additive petition or a notification for the same type of food-contact application of a substance for which the Agency has previously granted an exemption from the food additive listing regulation requirement.

Based on a review of the information collection since our last request for

OMB approval, we have made no adjustments to our burden estimate.

Dated: November 9, 2022.

**Lauren K. Roth,**

*Associate Commissioner for Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**Advisory Council on Blood Stem Cell Transplantation**

**AGENCY:** Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces that the Secretary's Advisory Council on Blood Stem Cell Transplantation (ACBSCT) has scheduled public meetings. Information about ACBSCT and the agenda for these meetings can be found on the ACBSCT website at <https://bloodstemcell.hrsa.gov/about/advisory-council>.

**DATES:**

- Monday, December 5, 2022, 12–4 p.m. Eastern Time; and
- Tuesday, December 6, 2022, 12–4 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held virtually by webinar. A link to register and join the meeting will be posted at least 10 days prior to the meeting at <https://bloodstemcell.hrsa.gov/about/advisory-council>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Shelley Grant, Designated Federal Official, at the HRSA's Health Systems Bureau, Division of Transplantation, 5600 Fishers Lane, 8W-67, Rockville, Maryland 20857; 301-443-8036; or [ACBSCTHRSA@hrsa.gov](mailto:ACBSCTHRSA@hrsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** ACBSCT provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (Secretary) on policy, program development, and other matters of significance concerning the activities under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Section 274k, Section 379 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, and Public Law 109-129, and as amended.

During the December 5 and December 6, 2022, meetings, ACBSCT will discuss the impact of COVID-19 on blood stem cell donation and transplantation; unmet needs in blood stem cell transplantation and cellular therapy; strategies to improve rates of adult blood stem donation; and other areas to increase blood stem cell donation and transplantation. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate. Refer to the ACBSCT website for any updated information concerning the meeting. Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments. Public participants may submit written statements in advance of the scheduled meetings; oral comments will be honored in the order they are requested and may be limited as time allows. Requests to submit a written statement or make oral comments to ACBSCT should be sent to Shelley Grant using the contact information above at least 3 business days prior to the meeting. Individuals who plan to