DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Color Additive Certification]

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, the Agency, or we) 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 the information collection provisions of FDA’s regulations governing batch certification of color additives manufactured for use in foods, drugs, cosmetics, or medical devices in the United States.

DATES: Either electronic or written comments on the collection of information must be submitted by October 10, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. The https://www.regulations.gov electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of October 10, 2023. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are received 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–2023–N–2986 for “Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Color Additive Certification.” 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, 240–402–7500.

• 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.govinfo.gov/content/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, 240–402–7500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rachel Showalter, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A–12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 240–994–7399, PRASTaff@fda.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), 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.

**Color Additive Certification—21 CFR Part 80**

**OMB Control Number 0910–0216—Extension**

This information collection helps support FDA regulations governing certification for color additives used in foods, drugs, cosmetics, and medical devices. All color additives must have FDA-approval for their intended use and be listed in the color additive regulations before they are permitted for use in food, drugs, cosmetics, and many medical devices. Some color additives have an additional requirement: they are permitted only if they are from batches that FDA has certified under section 721(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379e(a)). This means that FDA chemists have analyzed a sample from the batch and have found that it meets the requirements for composition and purity stated in the regulation, called a “listing regulation,” for that color additive. We list color additives that have been shown to be safe for their intended uses in Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). We require batch certification for all color additives listed in 21 CFR part 74 and for all color additives provisionally listed in 21 CFR part 82. Color additives listed in 21 CFR part 73 are exempted from certification.

The requirements for color additive certification are established in part 80 (21 CFR part 80). Procedures for color additive certification are set forth in part 80, subpart B (§§ 80.21 through 80.39) and communicate required data elements for requests for certification, limitations of certificates, exemptions from certification for color additive mixtures, treatment of batches pending and after certification, and recordkeeping requirements for respondents to whom a certificate is issued. During the batch certification procedure, a manufacturer of color additives must submit a “request for certification” that provides information about the batch, accompanied by a representative sample of a new batch of color additive, to us. FDA personnel perform chemical and other analyses of the representative sample and, providing the sample satisfies all certification requirements, issue a certificate that contains a certification lot number for the batch. The batch can then be used in FDA-regulated products marketed in the United States, in compliance with the uses and restrictions in that color additive’s listing regulation. If the sample does not meet the requirements, the batch will be rejected. We require manufacturers to keep complete records showing disposal of all of the color additive covered by the certification.

**TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN**

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<th>21 CFR Section; activity</th>
<th>Number of respondents</th>
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<th>Total hours</th>
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<td>80.21 and 80.22; Request for certification accompanied by sample.</td>
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<td>0.22 (13 minutes)</td>
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*There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.*

**TABLE 2—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN**

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<td>80.39; Record of distribution</td>
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<td>112</td>
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*There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.*

We base our estimate on our review of the certification requests received over the past 3 years. Using information from industry personnel, we estimate that an average of 0.22 hour per response is required for reporting (preparing certification requests and accompanying samples) and an average of 0.25 hour per response is required for recordkeeping.

Based on a review of the information collection since our last request for OMB approval, we have slightly decreased our burden estimate based on our experience with this program. As a result, although the number of respondents increased, the number of responses per respondent decreased.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
National Advisory Committee on Seniors and Disasters and National Advisory Committee on Individuals With Disabilities and Disasters Joint Public Meeting

AGENCY: Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Committee on Seniors and Disasters (NACSD) and the National Advisory Committee on Individuals with Disabilities and Disasters (NACIDD) will hold a joint public meeting using an online format on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 (1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET). Notice of the meeting is required under section 10 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The NACSD and NACIDD provide expert advice and guidance to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regarding the specific needs of older adults and people with disabilities, respectively, related to disaster preparedness and response. The Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) manages and convenes the NACSD and the NACIDD on behalf of the Secretary of HHS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Maxine Kellman, NACSD and NACIDD Designated Federal Official, (202) 260-0447; NACSD@hhs.gov and NACIDD@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Procedures for Public Participation: The public and expert stakeholders are invited to observe the meeting. Registration for the Zoom meeting is required. The meeting link to register will be posted on the NACSD and NACIDD websites. Anyone may submit questions and comments to the NACSD and the NACIDD by email (NACSD@hhs.gov and NACIDD@hhs.gov) at least 15 days prior to the meeting. American Sign Language translation and Communication Access Real-Time Translation will be provided. A meeting summary will be available on the NACSD and NACIDD websites post meeting.

Dawn O'Connell, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
National Institutes of Health
National Cancer Institute; Cancellation of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the cancellation of the National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; SEP–9: NCI Clinical and Translational Cancer Research, October 26, 2023, 12:00 p.m. to October 26, 2023, 4:00 p.m., National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W104, Rockville, Maryland 20850 which was published in the Federal Register on July 28, 2023, FR Doc 2023–15985, 88 FR 48898.

This meeting is cancelled and will be rescheduled.

Melanie Pantoca, Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
National Institutes of Health
National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Integrating Health Disparities into Immuno-Oncology (FIDIO).

E. Tian, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Special Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W618, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240–276–6611, tiane@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; NCI Cancer Detection Consortium U01.

Dated: October 17, 2023.
Shree Ram Singh, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Special Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W106, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240–276–6343, schwefestcw@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; NCI Pancreatic Cancer Detection Consortium U01.

Dated: October 20, 2023.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; NCI Cancer Detection Consortium U01.

Dated: October 20, 2023.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; NCI Cancer Prevention and Control U01.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.