

Selection of members representing consumer interests is conducted through procedures which include use of a consortium of consumer organizations which has the responsibility for recommending candidates for the agency's selection. Candidates should possess appropriate qualifications to understand and contribute to the committee's work.

Nominations shall include a complete curriculum vitae of each nominee and shall state the the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to serve as a member, and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. FDA will ask the potential candidates to provide detailed information concerning such matters as financial holdings, employment, and research grants and/or contracts to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflict of interest. The nomination should state whether the nominee is interested only in a particular advisory committee or in any advisory committee. The term of office is up to 4 years, depending on the appointment date.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14 relating to advisory committees.

Dated: June 26, 1998.

**Michael A. Friedman,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 92F-0443]

#### Dow Corning Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition; Amendment

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the filing notice for a food additive petition filed by Dow Corning Corp. to indicate that the petitioner has also proposed that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of tetramethyltetravinylcyclotetrasiloxane as an optional polymerization inhibitor in the manufacture of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing polysiloxane and

dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Julius Smith, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3091.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of February 12, 1993 (58 FR 8290), FDA announced that a petition (FAP 3B4346) had been filed by Dow Corning Corp., P.O. Box 994, Midland, MI 48686-0994, proposing to amend § 175.300 *Resinous and polymeric coatings* (21 CFR 175.300), § 175.320 *Resinous and polymeric coatings for polyolefin films* (21 CFR 175.320), and § 176.170 *Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods* (21 CFR 176.170) to provide for the safe use of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing polysiloxane and dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst. The petition also proposed that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 3,5-dimethyl-1-hexyne-3-ol, 1-ethynylcyclohexene, bis(methoxymethyl)ethyl maleate and methylvinyl cyclosiloxane as optional polymerization inhibitors. Additionally, the petition proposed that the regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 5-chloro-2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one and 2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one mixture, optionally containing magnesium nitrate, as an antimicrobial agent for emulsion-based silicone coating formulations.

Subsequent to publication of the filing notice, the petitioner amended the petition to request the use of tetramethyltetravinylcyclotetrasiloxane as an optional polymerization inhibitor in the manufacture of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing polysiloxane and dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst.

Therefore, FDA is amending the filing notice of February 12, 1993, to indicate that the petitioner requests that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of tetramethyltetravinylcyclotetrasiloxane as an optional polymerization inhibitor in the manufacture of dimethylpolysiloxane coatings produced by cross-linking a vinyl-containing dimethylpolysiloxane with methylhydrogen-containing

polysiloxane and dimethylmethylhydrogen polysiloxane polymers using a platinum catalyst.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action 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.

Dated: June 11, 1998.

**Laura M. Tarantino,**

*Acting Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 98F-0484]

#### Eastman Chemical Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Eastman Chemical Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of di-2-ethylhexylterephthalate as a component of closure-sealing gaskets for food containers.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Hortense S. Macon, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-205), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3086.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 8B4593) has been filed by Eastman Chemical Co., P.O. Box 431, Kingsport, TN 37662. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 177.1210 *Closures with sealing gaskets for food containers* (21 CFR 177.1210) to provide for the safe use of di-2-ethylhexyl terephthalate as a component of closure-sealing gaskets for food containers.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action is of the type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment