V. Electronic Access
Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the guidance at either http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/default.htm or http://www.regulations.gov.

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Leslie Kux,
Acting Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA–2010–D–0432]

Guidance for Industry: Small Entities Compliance Guide—Designation of New Animal Drugs for Minor Uses or Minor Species; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a guidance for industry #200 entitled “Small Entities Compliance Guide—Designation of New Animal Drugs for Minor Uses or Minor Species.” This small entities compliance guide (SECG) aids industry in complying with the requirements of the final rule published in the Federal Register of July 26, 2007. The Minor Use and Minor Species Animal Health Act of 2004 (MUMS act) establishes new regulatory procedures that provide incentives intended to make more drugs legally available to veterinarians and animal owners for the treatment of minor animal species and uncommon diseases in major animal species.

DATES: Submit either electronic or written comments on the SECG at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies of the SECG to the Communications Staff (HFV–12), Center for Veterinary Medicine, Food and Drug Administration, 7519 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests. See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for electronic access to the SECG.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

FDA is announcing the availability of an SECG #200 entitled “Small Entities Compliance Guide—Designation of New Animal Drugs for Minor Uses or Minor Species.” This SECG aids industry in complying with the requirements of the final rule published in the Federal Register of July 26, 2007 (72 FR 41010).

FDA has prepared this SECG in accordance with section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (Public Law 104–121). This document is intended to provide guidance to small businesses on the requirements of section 573 of the MUMS act. In enacting MUMS, Congress sought to encourage the development of animal drugs that are currently unavailable to minor species (species other than cattle, horses, swine, chickens, turkeys, dogs, and cats) in the United States or to major species afflicted with uncommon diseases or conditions (minor uses). These regulations describe the procedures for designating a new animal drug as a minor use or minor species drug. Such designation establishes eligibility for the incentives provided by the MUMS act.

II. Significance of Guidance

FDA is issuing this SECG as a level 2 guidance consistent with FDA’s good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The guidance represents the agency’s current thinking on this topic. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations.

III. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This SECG refers to previously approved collections of information found in FDA regulations. These collections of information are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520). The collections of information in section 573 of the MUMS act have been approved under OMB control no. 0910–0605.

IV. Comments

Submit written requests for single copies of the guidance to the Communications Staff (HFV–12), Center for Veterinary Medicine, Food and Drug Administration, 7519 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests.

Interested persons may submit to the Division of Dockets Management (see ADDRESSES) either electronic or written comments regarding this document. It is only necessary to send one set of comments. It is no longer necessary to send two copies of mailed comments. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

V. Electronic Access
Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the SECG at either http://www.fda.gov/cvm or http://www.regulations.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

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International Conference on Harmonisation; Guidance on Q4B Evaluation and Recommendation of Pharmacopoeial Texts for Use in the International Conference on Harmonisation Regions; Annex 12 on Analytical Sieving General Chapter; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a guidance entitled “Q4B Evaluation and Recommendation of Pharmacopoeial Texts for Use in the ICH Regions; Annex 12: Analytical Sieving General Chapter.” The guidance was prepared under the auspices of the International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH). The guidance provides the results of the ICH Q4B evaluation of the Analytical Sieving General Chapter harmonized text from each of the three pharmacopoeias (United States, European, and Japanese) represented by...