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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-ASW-03]

#### Establishment of Class E Airspace; Crockett, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** This notice confirms the effective date of a direct final rule which establishes Class E airspace at Crockett, TX.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The direct final rule published at 64 FR 10563 is effective 0901 UTC, July 15, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donald J. Day, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Southwest Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0520, telephone: 817-222-5793.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA published this direct final rule with a request for comments in the **Federal Register** on March 5, 1999 (64 FR 10563). The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA believes that there will be no adverse public comment. This direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, were received within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on

July 15, 1999. No adverse comments were received, and thus this action confirms that this direct final rule will be effective on that date.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

#### 21 CFR Part 176

[Docket No. 98F-0584]

#### Indirect Food Additives: Paper and Paperboard Components

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the food additive regulations to provide for the safe use of monoisopropanolamine as a dispersant for pigments intended to be used either as fillers or colorants in food-contact paper and paperboard. This action is in response to a petition filed by DuPont Chemicals and White Pigments and The Dow Chemical Co.

**DATES:** This regulation is effective May 24, 1999; written objections and requests for a hearing by June 23, 1999. **ADDRESSES:** Submit written objections to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark A. Hepp, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3098.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of July 31, 1998 (63 FR 40912), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 8B4607) had been jointly filed by DuPont Chemicals and White Pigments, Edge Moor Plant, 104 Hay Rd., Wilmington, DE 19809, and The Dow Chemical Co., 2030 Dow Center, Midland, MI 48674. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 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 monoisopropanolamine as a dispersant for pigments intended to be used as

fillers or colorants in food-contact paper and paperboard.

FDA has evaluated the data in the petition and other relevant material. Based on this information, the agency concludes that the proposed use of the additive is safe, that the additive will achieve its intended technical effect, and therefore, that the regulations in § 176.170 should be amended as set forth below.

In accordance with § 171.1(h) (21 CFR 171.1(h)), the petition and the documents that FDA considered and relied upon in reaching its decision to approve the petition are available for inspection at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition by appointment with the information contact person listed above. As provided in § 171.1(h), the agency will delete from the documents any materials that are not available for public disclosure before making the documents available for inspection.

The agency has carefully considered the potential environmental effects of this rule as announced in the notice of filing for the petition. No new information or comments have been received that would affect the agency's previous determination that there is no significant impact on the human environment and that an environmental impact statement is not required.

This final rule contains no collections of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 is not required.

Any person who will be adversely affected by this regulation may at any time on or before June 23, 1999, file with the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written objection thereto. Each objection shall be separately numbered, and each numbered objection shall specify with particularity the provisions of the regulation to which objection is made and the grounds for the objection. Each numbered objection on which a hearing is requested shall specifically so state. Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection. Three copies of all documents shall be submitted and shall be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the

heading of this document. Any objection received in response to the regulation may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

#### List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 176

Food additives, Food packaging.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and redelegated to the Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, 21 CFR part 176 is amended as follows:

#### PART 176—INDIRECT FOOD ADDITIVES: PAPER AND PAPERBOARD COMPONENTS

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 176 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 321, 342, 346, 348, 379e.

2. Section 176.170 is amended in the table in paragraph (a)(5) by alphabetically adding a new entry under the headings "Lists of Substances" and "Limitations" to read as follows:

#### § 176.170 Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods.

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(a) \* \* \*

(5) \* \* \*

List of Substances	Limitations
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Monoisopropanolamine (CAS Reg. No. 78-96-6).	For use as a dispersant for titanium dioxide suspensions at a level not to exceed 0.68 percent by weight of titanium dioxide. The finished paper and paperboard will be used in contact with all food types under conditions of use E through G described in table 2 of paragraph (c) of this section.
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Dated: May 7, 1999.

**L. Robert Lake,**

*Director, Office of Policy, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Food and Drug Administration

#### 21 CFR Part 177

[Docket No. 98F-0730]

#### Indirect Food Additives: Polymers

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the food additive regulations to change the density specifications for ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymers intended for use in contact with food. This action is in response to a petition filed by Keller and Heckman LLP.

**DATES:** The regulation is effective May 24, 1999; written objections and requests for a hearing by June 23, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written objections to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark A. Hepp, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3098.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In a notice published in the **Federal Register** of September 8, 1998 (63 FR 47503), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 8B4623) had been filed by Keller and Heckman LLP, 1001 G St. NW., suite 500 West, Washington, DC 20001. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 177.1520 *Olefin polymers* (21 CFR 177.1520), to change the density specifications from "0.92-0.94" to "0.92 or greater" for ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymers intended for use in contact with food.

The September 8, 1998, filing notice for the petition stated that the action resulting from the petition qualified for a categorical exclusion under 21 CFR 25.32(i). Upon further review, the agency determined that such a categorical exclusion is not appropriate for this action because the additive is expected to be present in the finished food-contact article at a level greater than 5 percent by weight. Consequently, the agency considered the environmental effects of this action.

FDA has evaluated data in the petition and other relevant material. Based on this information, the agency has determined that the petitioner has adequately demonstrated that ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymers with a

density specification of "0.92 or greater" in place of "0.92-0.94", conform to the identity and specifications under § 177.1520(c), item 6 for ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymers. Thus, the agency concludes that the proposed use of the additive is safe, that the additive will achieve its intended technical effect, and therefore, that the regulations in § 177.1520 should be amended as set forth below.

In accordance with § 171.1(h) (21 CFR 171.1(h)), the petition and the documents that FDA considered and relied upon in reaching its decision to approve the petition are available for inspection at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition by appointment with the information contact persons listed above. As provided in § 171.1(h), the agency will delete from the documents any materials that are not available for public disclosure before making the documents available for inspection.

The agency has carefully considered the potential environmental effects of this action. FDA has concluded that the action will not have a significant impact on the human environment, and that an environmental impact statement is not required. The agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding, contained in an environmental assessment, may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch (address above) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

This final rule contains no collections of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 is not required.

Any person who will be adversely affected by this regulation may at any time on or before June 23, 1999, file with the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written objection thereto. Each objection shall be separately numbered, and each numbered objection shall specify with particularity the provisions of the regulation to which objection is made and the grounds for the objection. Each numbered objection on which a hearing is requested shall specifically so state. Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection. Three copies