

certificate endorsed by a full-time, salaried veterinarian employed by the region of origin stating that the products have been processed in accordance with one of those methods:

(1) Milk or milk products (other than cheese) that are, or are made from, milk that has been treated at an ultra high temperature (298.4 °F (148 °C) for 3 seconds or 284 °F (140 °C) for 5 seconds); or

(2) Milk or milk products (other than cheese) that are, or are made from, milk that has been treated at a high temperature for a short time (HTST) (161.6 °F (72 °C) for 15 seconds) followed by a second HTST (161.6 °F (72 °C) for 15 seconds) treatment. For milk products made with added fat or added concentrates, the treatment temperature must be increased to 167 °F (75 °C); or

(3) Milk products made from HTST milk that is brought to a pH of less than 6 for 1 hour.

(4) Cheese made from raw milk, aged at a temperature of greater than 35.6 °F (2 °C) with a pH of less than 6 for 120 days prior to export from the country of origin; or

(5) Cheese made from HTST milk, aged at a temperature of greater than 35.6 °F (2 °C) with a pH of less than 6 for 30 days prior to export from the country of origin.

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(8) Milk and milk products not of classes included within the provisions of paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(7) of this section may be imported if the importer first applies to and receives written permission from the Administrator, authorizing such importation. * * *

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Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of February, 2003.

Bill Hawks,

Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

11 CFR Parts 100 and 110

[NOTICE 2003-5]

Leadership PACs

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Federal Election Commission is announcing a public hearing on proposed rules to address leadership PACs, which are unauthorized committees that are

associated with a Federal candidate or officeholder. Further information is provided in the supplementary information that follows.

DATES: The hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2003. The Commission is no longer accepting requests to testify.

ADDRESSES: Commission hearings are held in the Commission's ninth floor meeting room, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mai T. Dinh, Acting Assistant General Counsel, Mr. J. Duane Pugh, Jr., Acting Special Assistant General Counsel, or Mr. Anthony T. Buckley, Attorney, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463, (202) 694-1650 or (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 26, 2002, the Commission published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking [“NPRM”] proposing three alternative sets of rules addressing political committees that are associated with a Federal candidate or officeholder, and potential limitations to the contributions that such committees may accept and make. 67 FR 78753 (Dec. 26, 2002). The comment period for the NPRM ended on January 31, 2003. Eight sets of comments were received by the Commission in response to the NPRM. Seven commenters, who submitted six of the sets of comments, requested to testify at a public hearing if one is held.

After considering these requests and the other comments received to date in response to the NPRM, the Commission believes a public hearing would be helpful in considering the issues raised in the rulemaking. As the Commission stated in the NPRM, the hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. on February 26, 2003.

Dated: February 11, 2003.

Ellen L. Weintraub,

Chair, Federal Election Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

21 CFR PART 1301

[DEA-232P]

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Controlled Substances Registration and Reregistration Application Fees

AGENCY: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Justice.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

SUMMARY: DEA is proposing to adjust the current fee schedule for DEA controlled substances registration to adequately recover necessary costs associated with the Diversion Control Program as mandated by the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1993.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 21, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Washington, DC 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative/CCR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Patricia M. Good, Chief, Liaison and Policy Section, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Washington, DC 20537; Telephone (202) 307-7297.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 102-395) requires that the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) collect fees to ensure the recovery of the full costs of operating the Diversion Control Program. Section 111(b)(3) of the act, codified at 21 U.S.C. 886a(3), requires that “fees charged by the Drug Enforcement Administration under its diversion control program shall be set at a level that ensures the recovery of the full costs of operating the various aspects of that program.” Section 111(b)(1) of the act also requires that “there shall be deposited as offsetting receipts into that account all fees collected by the Drug Enforcement Administration, in excess of \$15,000,000, for the operation of its diversion control program.”

Since 1970 the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) has authorized the Attorney General to “charge reasonable fees relating to the registration and control of the manufacture, distribution, and dispensing of controlled substances.” 21 U.S.C. 821 and 958(f). This fee is collected by the Deputy Administrator of DEA for the Attorney General and is the only fee collected by DEA to support the Diversion Control Program. DEA does collect a user fee to support its listed chemical activities. However, this fee does not fall within the scope of this notice (see below for a further discussion). The fee schedule for the CSA was established in 1971 and was adjusted in 1984 and again in 1993. The fees have remained unchanged since that time.