

small entity own five or more of the affected airplanes for there to be a significant financial impact on these entities. Few, if any, small entities own this many of the affected airplanes.

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Therefore, I certify that this action (1) is not a "major rule" under the provisions of Executive Order 12291; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures [44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979]; and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action has been placed in the public docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption "ADDRESSES".

**List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39**

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

**The Proposed Amendment**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

**PART 39—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421 and 1423; 49 U.S.C. 106(g) (Revised Pub. L. 97-449, January 12, 1983); and 14 CFR 11.89.

**§ 39.13 [Amended]**

2. Section 39.13 is amended by superseding AD 77-03-08, Amendment 39-2833 with the following new AD:

**Piper:** Applies to the following airplanes, certificated in any category.

Models Affected	Serial Nos. Affected
J-5, J-5C, L-14, AE-1, HE-1, Series Cub Cruiser.	5-1 through 5-1389.
PA-11 Series, Cub Special.	11-1 through 11-1678.
PA-12 Series, Super Cruiser.	12-1 through 12-4036.
PA-14 Series, Family Cruiser.	14-1 through 14-523.
PA-15 Vagabond	15-1 through 15-388.
PA-16 Clipper	16-1 through 16-736.
PA-17 Vagabond	17-1 through 17-215.
PA-20 Series (Pacer)	20-1 through 20-1121.
PA-22 Series, (Tri-Pacer/Colt).	22-1 through 22-9848.
PA-25-Series, (Pawnee)	25-1 through 25-8156024.
PA-18/18A Series (super Cub).	18-1 through 18-8309025, 1809001 through 1809032, 1809034 through 1809040.
PA-19 (Super Cub)	19-1, 19-2 and 19-3.

**Compliance:** Required as indicated unless already accomplished. To preclude failure of the wing lift strut and resulting loss of wing structural integrity, accomplish the following:

(a) For models J-2 Series, (Cub); J-3, NE-1, L-4 (Cub); J-4 Series (Coupe); J-5, J-5C, L-14, AE-1, HE-1, Series (Cub Cruiser); PA-11 Series, (Cub Special); PA-12 Series, (Super Cruiser); PA-14 Series, (Family Cruiser); PA-15 (Vagabond); PA-16 (Clipper); PA-17 (Vagabond); PA-20 Series, (Pacer); PA-22 Series, (Tri-Pacer/Colt); and PA-25 Series, (Pawnee) airplanes: within the next 30 calendar days after the effective date of this AD and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 12 calendar months, inspect the wing lift struts for corrosion in accordance with the Instructions Section of Piper Service Bulletin (SB) 528C, dated October 11, 1989. If evidence of corrosion is found, prior to further flight repair or replace the affected strut in accordance with the criteria in the above referenced SB.

(b) For models PA-18A Series (Super Cub) and PA-19 (Super Cub) airplanes:

(1) Within the next 30 calendar days after the effective date of this AD, and again within 12 calendar months after the initial inspection, inspect the wing lift struts for corrosion in accordance with the Instructions Section of Part I, Piper SB 910A, dated October 10, 1989. If evidence of corrosion is found, prior to further flight repair or replace the affected strut in accordance with the criteria in the above referenced SB.

(2) Within the next 24 calendar months after the effective date of this AD, modify the airplane by the installation of sealed wing lift struts as specified in Part II of the above referenced SB. The inspections required by paragraph (b)(1) of this AD are not required when the airplane has been modified with sealed wing lift struts.

(c) Airplanes may be flown in accordance with FAR 21.197 to a location where this AD may be accomplished.

(d) An alternate method of compliance or adjustment of the initial or repetitive inspection compliance times which provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Atlanta Aircraft

Certification Office, 1669 Phoenix Parkway, Suite 210C, Atlanta, Georgia 30349.

**Note:** The request should be forwarded through an FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office.

All persons affected by this directive may obtain copies of the documents referred to herein upon request to the Piper Aircraft Corporation, 2926 Piper Drive, Vero Beach, Florida; or may examine these documents at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

This Amendment supersedes AD 77-03-08, Amendment 39-2833. Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on September 11, 1990.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Food and Drug Administration**

**21 CFR Part 356**

[Docket No. 81N-0033]

**Over-the-Counter Dental and Oral Health Care Drug Products for Antiplaque Use; Safety and Efficacy Review**

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

**ACTION:** Request for data and information.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a call-for-data for ingredients contained in products bearing antiplaque and antiplaque-related claims, such as "for the reduction or prevention of plaque, tartar, calculus, film, sticky deposits, bacterial build-up, and gingivitis." The agency will review the submitted data to determine whether these products are generally recognized as safe and effective and not misbranded for their labeled uses. This notice also describes the agency's general enforcement policy governing the marketing of over-the-counter (OTC) drug products bearing antiplaque and antiplaque-related claims during the pendency of this review. This request is part of the ongoing review of OTC drug products conducted by FDA.

**DATES:** Data and information to be submitted by March 18, 1991.

Models Affected	Serial Nos. Affected
J-2 Series, Cub	ALL
J-3, NE-1, L-4 Cub	ALL
J-4 Series Coupe	ALL

**ADDRESSES:** Submissions should be sent to the Division of OTC Drug Evaluation (HFD-210), Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William E. Gilbertson, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-210), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-295-8000.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 1972, FDA established the OTC drug review to evaluate drugs marketed OTC in the United States. The final regulations providing for the OTC drug review were published in the *Federal Register* of May 11, 1972 (37 FR 9464) (subsequently recodified at 21 CFR 330.10). The agency appointed 17 advisory review panels to evaluate the safety and effectiveness data submitted on active ingredients found in OTC drug products. Two advisory review panels, the advisory Review Panel on OTC Dentifrice and Dental Care Drug Products (Dental Panel) and the Advisory Review Panel on OTC Oral Cavity Drug Products (Oral Cavity Panel), reviewed OTC dental and oral health care drug products. In a *Federal Register* notice published on January 30, 1973, interested persons were invited to submit data to support the stated claims for dentifrices and dental care agents (38 FR 2781).

The Dental Panel (which deliberated from 1973 to 1978) reviewed fluoride dentifrices which contain abrasive ingredients. However, this Panel was primarily concerned about the effect of fluoride on dental caries and did not specifically consider the activity of abrasives for the removal of plaque. In its report on OTC anticaries drug products (published in the *Federal Register* of March 28, 1980; 45 20666), the Dental Panel did acknowledge that the cleansing function of a dentifrice is achieved by the mechanical removal of dental plaque, stain, and debris from tooth surfaces by the abrasive system (45 FR 20676). Because there were no submissions from drug companies for dental products making antiplaque claims in their labeling at that time, there was no need for the Dental Panel to consider the particular abrasives in dentifrices as active ingredients for the removal of plaque.

The Dental Panel did consider gingivitis and antiplaque claims for dentifrices in its report on OTC oral mucosal injury drug products (published in the *Federal Register* of November 2, 1979; 44 FR 63270). Claims for the prevention, control, or treatment of gingivitis were placed in Category II (44

FR 63283). The Dental Panel concluded that "drug products which have antiplaque, plaque control, or gingivitis claims are not currently appropriate for the OTC market because there is no general recognition of any such drug products as safe and effective for these indications at this time." The Dental Panel recommended that such drug products and claims should be evaluated by FDA through the new drug application (NDA) procedures.

The Oral Cavity Panel (which deliberated from 1974 to 1979) only reviewed antimicrobial ingredients for sore mouth and sore throat claims and did not specifically evaluate the effectiveness of oral health care antimicrobial agents to inhibit plaque formation. (See the *Federal Register* of May 25, 1982; 47 FR 22760.) Although data on plaque reduction as a measure of the effectiveness of antimicrobial ingredients were presented to the Oral Cavity Panel, the Panel did not accept such data because it believed that "the rationality of plaque reduction as a criterion of effectiveness of antimicrobial agents for use in the mouth and throat is highly debatable, and evidence of the validity of the method is scant" (47 FR 22840). Because the Oral Cavity Panel was not charged with reviewing drug products used to treat dental or periodontal diseases, it did not specifically consider ingredients with antiplaque claims.

The Dental Panel described dental plaque as a gel-like mat that is firmly attached to the surface of a tooth or restoration. The Panel stated that plaque is made up of microbial masses, intermicrobial matrix, and nonbacterial cellular inclusions (45 FR 20666 at 20671). The Oral Cavity Panel described plaque as a soft and tenacious material found on the surfaces of teeth. It added that the composition of plaque is multivaried, and its microbial and biochemical composition varies with the site of formation, the duration of accumulation, the composition of the diet, and perhaps, other undetermined factors (47 FR 22760 at 22841). Studies have demonstrated that the presence of dental plaque is directly related to the occurrence of gingivitis in humans (Refs. 1 and 2).

Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary (Ref. 3) defines dental plaque as "a soft, thin film of food debris, mucin, and dead epithelial cells deposited on the teeth, providing the medium for the growth of various bacteria." Dorland's states that plaque "plays an important etiologic role in the development of dental caries and

periodontal and gingival diseases," (Ref. 3).

Section 201(g)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 321(g)(1)) defines a "drug" primarily as an article intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease or an article intended to affect the structure or function of the body. Section 201(i) of the act (21 CFR 321(i)) defines a "cosmetic" essentially as an article applied to the human body for "cleansing, beautifying, promoting attractiveness, or altering the appearance." Products may be simultaneously drugs and cosmetics. Because plaque is a colorless bacterial layer which is not clearly visible unless calcified or stained, plaque removal is not considered a cosmetic purpose. Plaque-reduction or removal is intended to prevent disease, i.e., gingivitis, caries, and periodontal disease. Primarily because of this explicit or implicit disease prevention purpose regarding plaque, the agency considers plaque reduction and removal claims to be drug claims.

Two classes of dental and oral health care products have made antiplaque claims over the years: (1) Products containing abrasives that rely on mechanical action to remove plaque, and (2) products that claim to reduce or remove plaque by antimicrobial or chemical activity. Because such claims are drug claims, the safety and effectiveness of ingredients used in products making plaque reduction and removal claims must be demonstrated.

Recently, products with antiplaque claims have been heavily promoted, and the agency is aware that a great deal of research has been conducted in this area in recent years. Because neither the Dental Panel nor the Oral Cavity Panel reviewed in detail the safety and effectiveness data on particular ingredients for antiplaque or gingivitis indications, the agency has determined that it is appropriate to issue another call-for-data on such ingredients. Historically, claims such as "for the reduction or prevention of plaque, tartar, calculus, film, sticky deposits, bacterial build-up, and gingivitis" have been made for dental products primarily in promotional materials and advertising, including professional labeling and advertising (information provided to health professionals but not to the general public). Some of these claims, such as plaque removal claims, have appeared on the labeling of certain OTC drug products marketed to the general public. Other claims, such as "for the reduction, prevention, or treatment of

gum disease, inflamed gums, swollen gums, bleeding gums, pyorrhea, Vincent's infection, periodontal disease, or tooth-destroying acids," as well as "promote healthy gums" or to "condition gums" have also appeared in promotional material, advertising, and professional labeling for dental products. Although the agency questions the acceptability of some of these claims for an OTC drug product, the agency will accept data on such claims in this review in order to make a determination as to their status. The agency invites comment on the appropriateness of each such claim for OTC drug labeling. (See general regulatory policy discussed below.)

FDA invites the submission of data, published and unpublished, and any other information pertinent to active ingredients used in any dosage forms of dental and oral health care drug products, such as dentifrices, gargles, mouthwashes, and similar products that have antiplaque or antiplaque-related claims. In order to be eligible for review under the OTC drug review procedures, the ingredient must have been marketed in a product with the relevant indication (e.g., with a plaque or gingivitis claim) to a material extent and for a material time (21 U.S.C. 321(p)(2)). Manufacturers of products bearing antiplaque and antiplaque-related claims that contain active ingredients that have not been marketed for such indication(s) to a material extent and for a material time should submit supporting safety and effectiveness data in an NDA. These products may not be legally marketed in interstate commerce until an NDA is approved.

Manufacturers of products bearing antiplaque and antiplaque-related that contain active ingredients that have been marketed for such indication(s) to a material extent and for a material time may submit supporting safety and effectiveness data to the OTC drug review. The submission of data should include information that demonstrates that the ingredients have been marketed to a material extent and for a material time for the relevant indication(s). Products with ingredients under consideration for these indications in the OTC drug review may be marketed (at the same dosage strength and in the same dosage form) under the manufacturer's good faith belief that the product is generally recognized as safe and effective and not misbranded and in accordance with FDA's enforcement policies related to the OTC drug review. (See FDA's Compliance Policy Guides Nos. 7132b.15 and 7132b.16.) Such products are marketed at the risk that

the agency may adopt a position requiring relabeling, recall, or other regulatory action.

This call-for-data is part of the agency's ongoing review of OTC oral health care drug products. The Oral Cavity Panel's report was published in the *Federal Register* of May 25, 1982 (47 FR 22760). The agency is issuing the tentative final monograph for OTC oral health care drug products in several segments. The first segments addressed OTC oral health care anesthetic/analgesic, astringent, debriding agent/oral wound cleanser, and demulcent drug products and was published in the *Federal Register* of January 27, 1988 (53 FR 2436). An amendment to this segment will address OTC relief of oral discomfort drug products. Another segment will contain the agency's responses to comments regarding oral health care antimicrobial drug products and comments on the drug or cosmetic status of certain oral health care products and claims. These segments will be published in future issues of the *Federal Register*. This call-for-data is the initial step in the development of the final segment of the rulemaking for OTC oral health care drug products, which will address antiplaque and antiplaque-related claims.

To be considered in this view, eight copies of the data and information must be submitted, preferably bound, indexed, and on standard size paper (approximately 8½ by 11 inches). The agency suggests that all submissions be in the format described in 21 CFR 330.10(a)(2).

In accordance with § 330.10(a)(2), all submitted data on antiplaque ingredients and claims will be handled as confidential by the agency. However, all the submitted information will be put on public display in the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, Rm. 4-62, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 30 days after publication of any proposed rules resulting from the review of the submitted material, except to the extent that the person submitting it demonstrates that it falls within the confidentiality provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1905 or section 301(j) of the act (21 U.S.C. 331(j)). At the time of publication, requests for confidentiality should be submitted to William E. Gilbertson, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-210) (address above).

Data and information should be addressed to the Division of OTC Drug Evaluation (address above) Data submitted after the closing date of March 18, 1991 will not be considered

except by petition pursuant to § 10.30 (21 CFR 10.30).

In the *Federal Register* of December 19, 1988 (53 FR 50940), the agency announced the establishment of the Dental Products Panel and stated that this panel will function at times as an OTC drug advisory panel to review and evaluate various currently marketed nonprescription drug products for human use and the adequacy of their labeling. The panel will advise the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on the promulgation of monographs establishing conditions under which these drugs are generally recognized as safe and effective and not misbranded. The agency intends to use this panel to review and evaluate ingredients contained in products bearing antiplaque and antiplaque-related claims pursuant to this call-for-data.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 149

[CGD 90-016]

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#### Deepwater Port Radar Beacons

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is proposing modifications to the radar beacon regulations for deepwater ports to require transmission in both the X-band and S-Band, eliminate the sweep requirements, and limit the transmission rate for frequency agile radar beacons. This change is needed to improve the effectiveness of radar beacons as a navigational aid.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 20, 1990.