availability of the final guidance, FDA reiterated its intent to evaluate the effects of the guidance, including effects on the public health, within 2 years. As part of that evaluation, the agency conducted a baseline public information collection focused on recent patients, concerning the effects of DTC advertising on patient-doctor interactions and attitudes toward DTC advertising in appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

The purpose of the proposed information collection is to follow up on the agency's 1999 patient survey and expand information collection to include physicians. FDA needs information from physicians and patients about their reactions to, and behaviors that stem from, DTC prescription drug advertising in order to develop policy on appropriate requirements for regulating drug product promotional materials.

Two data collections will be conducted: A patient survey and a physician survey. The patient survey will be conducted through randomized telephone interviews with a national probability sample consisting of 775 adults 18 years of age and over who have recently visited a physician. The sample will be limited to those respondents who have seen a doctor or other health care professional in the last 3 months. Patient respondents will be asked their views about any prescription drug they may have received and prescription drugs in general, and their attitudes and behavior in relation to DTC advertising. Demographic information will also be collected.

The physician survey will be conducted through telephone interviews with a national probability sample of office-based physicians who engage in-patient care at least half of the time. The sampling frame of physicians will consist of names drawn from the American Medical Association's Physician Masterfile. In an effort to maximize the response rate for physicians, prenotification letters will be mailed to all potential physician respondents. The survey itself will cover DTC-related patient interactions, perceived patient outcomes, attitudes toward appropriate DTC categories, and general opinions about DTC advertising. Demographic information will also be collected.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN[1]

No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
11,625 (consumer screener)	1	11,625	.017	197.6
775 (consumer survey)	1	775	.333	258.1
3,333 (physician screener)	1	3,333	.017	56.7
500 (physician survey)	1	500	.250	125.0
Total				637.4

[1] There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with these collections of information.

Dated: March 12, 2001.

William K. Hubbard,

Senior Associate Commissioner for Policy, Planning, and Legislation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00N–1373]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Mammography Facilities, Standards, and Lay Summaries for Patients

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled ''Mammography Facilities, Standards, and Lay Summaries for Patients'' has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Schlosburg, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of October 26, 2000 (65 FR 64222), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910–0309. The approval expires on February 29, 2004. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at *http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets*.

Dated: March 12, 2001.

William K. Hubbard,

Senior Associate Commissioner for Policy, Planning, and Legislation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 00N–1246]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Food Safety Survey

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled ''Food Safety Survey'' has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Schlosburg, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of August 18, 2000 (65 FR 50541), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and

a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910–0345. The approval expires on February 29, 2004. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at *http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets.*

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William K. Hubbard,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 83F–0164]

Nalco Chemical Co.; Withdrawal of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of a food additive petition (FAP 2B3627) proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 2-(4-thiazolyl)benzimidazole as a component of adhesives and paper and paperboard.

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 June 17, 1983 (48 FR 27834), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 2B3627) had been filed by Calgon Corp., Box 1346, Pittsburgh, PA 15320. (Calgon Corp. was subsequently purchased by Nalco Chemical Co.) 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 2-(4-thiazolyl)benzimidazole as a component of paper and paperboard for use in food contact applications and that § 175.105 *Adhesives* (21 CFR 175.105) be amended to provide for the safe use of 2-(4-thiazolyl)benzimidazole as a component of adhesives. Nalco Chemical Co. has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: February 27, 2001.

Alan M. Rulis,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

Privacy Act of 1974; Report of Modified or Altered System

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of modified or altered system of records (SOR).

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, we are proposing to modify or alter a system of records, ''A Current Beneficiary Survey (CBS), HHS/HCFA/OACT, System No. 09–70–6002.'' We propose to delete published routine use number 2 authorizing disclosure to the Bureau of the Census, and an unnumbered routine use authorizing disclosure to the Social Security Administration. Routine use number 2 unnecessarily duplicated Exception 4 of the Privacy Act allowing release of data to the Bureau of the Census. We propose to add a new routine use for release of information to another federal agency to broaden the scope of release for activities related to this system of records. We will modify the name of this system to read, ''Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS).'' The security classification previously reported as ''None'' will be modified to reflect that the data in this system is considered to be ''Level Three Privacy Act Sensitive.'' We are modifying the language in the remaining routine uses to provide clarity to HCFA's intention to disclose individual-specific information contained in this system. The routine uses will then be prioritized and reordered according to their usage. We will also take the opportunity to update any sections of the system that were affected by the recent reorganization and to update language in the administrative sections to correspond with language used in other HCFA (SOR).

The primary purpose of the system of records is to maintain a research database for HCFA and other researchers that is capable of producing data sets suitable for both longitudinal and cross-sectional analysis to be used to: (1) Produce projections for current programs and proposed program changes, (2) produce national level estimates of health care expenditures by the aged and disabled, and (3) provide a research database that can be used to provide guidance to program management and policies. Information in this system will also be used to: support research of policy issues, quality and effectiveness of care, and of epidemiological projects, support regulatory and policy functions performed within the agency or by a contractor or consultant, another federal agency, support constituent requests made to a congressional representative, and support litigation involving the agency related to this system of records. We have provided background information about the modified system in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Although the Privacy Act requires only that HCFA provide an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the proposed routine uses, HCFA invites comments on all portions of this notice. See **EFFECTIVE DATES** section for comment period.

EFFECTIVE DATES: HCFA filed a modified or altered system report with the Chair of the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Chair of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on March 12, 2001. To ensure that all parties have adequate time in which to comment, the modified or altered system of records, including routine uses, will become effective 40 days from the publication of the notice, or from the date it was submitted to OMB and the Congress, whichever is later, unless HCFA receives comments that require alterations to this notice.

ADDRESSES: The public should address comments to: Director, Division of Data Liaison and Distribution, HCFA, Room N2–04–27, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244–1850. Comments received will be available for review at this location, by appointment, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.–3 p.m., eastern time zone.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sydney P. Galloway, Privacy Act Coordinator, Systems, Technical, and Analytic Resources Group, Office of Strategic Planning (OSP), HCFA, Mailstop C3–24–07, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244–1850. The telephone number is 410–786–6645. The e-mail address is sgalloway@hcfa.gov.